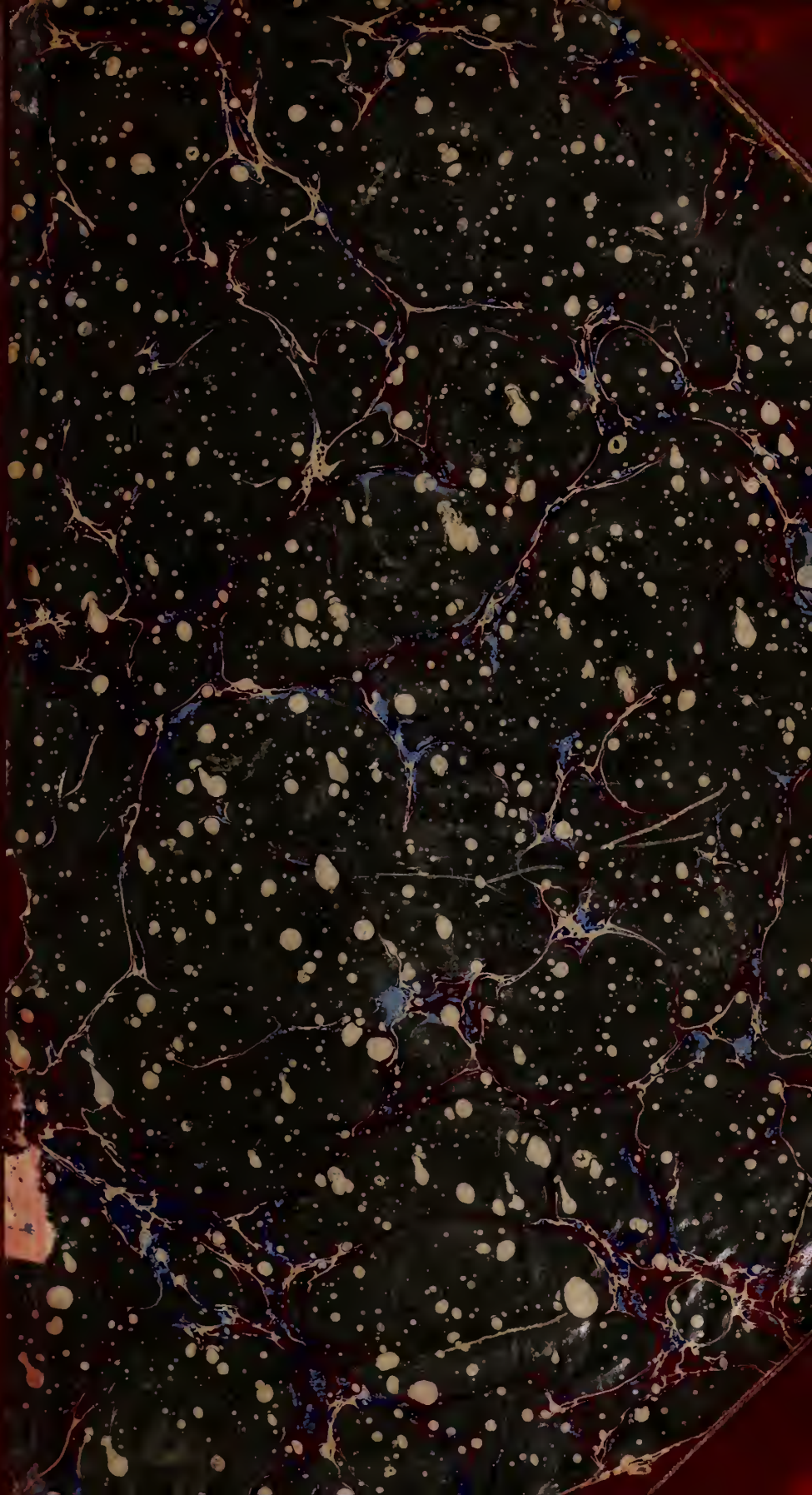

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ANNOUNCEMENT of the death of Mrs. J. G. Wishard, at Teheran, May 10, probably from apoplexy, is as surprising as sorrowful. She was Miss Annabette Bryan of Indianapolis and went to Persia in the spring of 1893—a wholehearted missionary, who, while chiefly occupied in her home, there made the people welcome and intimately shared her husband's great medical cares. He, their little children and her parents are unspeakably bereaved and are commended to praying hearts that have known like sorrow.

BY letters of May 3, it is ascertained that Dr. Kellogg passed out of his house at Landour at 7 o'clock that morning, with a cheery word to his wife, and five minutes later was brought in dead, having been thrown from his bicycle and fallen about fifteen feet, striking upon his head. The friends in India are anxious that the manner of his death should lead to no imputation upon Dr. Kellogg's caution; they are sure there was nothing rash or unusual in the ride upon which he had proceeded but a few yards. The evening before, Dr. Kellogg had conducted an English Bible-reading with his wonted "animation and fervor," and on Sabbath had preached in the Methodist church at Mussoorie from the text "Neither can they die any more." Mrs. Kellogg was wonderfully sustained under the blow.

THE Conference with newly appointed missionaries convened in the Assembly Room of the Presbyterian Building June 7 and covered seven days, besides Sunday, with three or four familiar lectures a day, interspersed with pleasant social occasions, like the reception at the home of Hon. Darwin R. James. A larger number of furloughed missionaries were in attendance than last year, and they are the first to commend the utility of the Conference.

IT is a moving sight, this company of about fifty young people in the Conference, from different sections, churches and educational institutions of our country, their faces all turned one way, dedicating the freshness of their young lives to building up the kingdom of God in dark lands.

As the feet of the Conference of '99 tramp through the hall and its voice rises in fine volume in "My Jesus as Thou wilt," our thoughts are of last year's elastic footsteps and buoyant hymns, and our longing is that each divine pledge vouchsafed in the Conference of '98 may now be fulfilled at each far-separated station. "*Am I a God at hand and not a God afar off?*" (Jer. 23: 23.)

THE new Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. A. Woodruff Halsey, D.D., has assumed the duties of his office, and was warmly welcomed in two lectures delivered by him before the Conference. By a re-adjustment of responsibility, the foreign correspondence of the Board will be divided between Dr. Ellinwood, Mr. Speer and Dr. Brown, while Dr. Halsey will be Home Secretary, to correspond with all branches of the church in this country.

FOUR years ago, when the attempt was made to occupy Lien Chow, in the Canton Mission, the life of Rev. W. H. Lingle was threatened and three Chinese, who had gone there with him, were seized, imprisoned and beaten 500 blows each, the official offering no protection. Now, the change in the attitude of Lien Chow people is marvellous. That indifferent official patronizes the hospital. Another in gratitude for the cure of members of his family, presented Dr. Eleanor Chesnut an honorary tablet and headed a subscription list with $50 to put up a building for women patients. This has been completed at a cost of $300 (Mexican), all contributed by Chinese, save ten dollars, the gift of an En-

glish tourist. It is simply a one-story ward which, with another put up by Dr. Chesnut at her own expense, affords the only accommodation there for sick women and children. Dr. Machle considers himself fortunate in being able during his furlough, to leave his fine hospital for men, also in Dr. Chesnut's care; in fact, ever since March, 1898, she has been in Lien Chow, without either missionary associate nor European. Is it not a foregone conclusion that whatever sort of woman's hospital Dr. Chesnut wants at Lien Chow, she ought to have?

SHORTLY before starting on furlough from their Persia home, Mrs. Vanneman wrote that though "longing inexpressibly" to see friends in America, leaving "the dear mission circle" was like parting from her own family again. She says: "The ties among missionaries are one of the sweetest things in our lives; the joys and sorrows of one affect all." Blessed are those many mission stations where such an atmosphere prevails, and blessed those many missionaries who are bound by such ties to the circle of their associates, in whatever station they live.

MISS KELLEY, at Kyoto, Japan, reports a "refreshing visitor" who was interested in seeing mission work. He was chaplain of the 10th Regiment, Penn. Vols., then in Manila. Lieut. Hobson, also, on his return to Manila, stopped off at Kobe and spent his only evening on shore at a Y.M.C.A. meeting, where he made a telling speech.

MRS. J. N. B. SMITH of Ningpo informs us that when their little daughter fell into the lake, last April, a young Chinese boatman jumped in, swam after and seized her as she was sinking the second time. The action particularly calls for remark because the Chinese have been known many times to stand and see a person drown, their fear of the river god preventing them from putting forth a rescuing effort.

ALL there is to be said about the new Mission to the Philippines is said in the *Annual Report* of the Assembly's Board —to be had for the asking—one reason out of many why you and your minister want to study that *Report*. Send for a copy to Mr. Chas. W. Hand, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

THIS month affords opportunity to print several articles which pressure upon our pages has heretofore crowded out—and more are waiting.

THE July Missionary Meeting might easily supplement the topic, "Hainan," with one of those interesting Lessons, "Early Protestant Missions" or "Beginnings of Foreign Missions in America," which were printed in WOMAN'S WORK in November and December last.

THE Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions, to be held next year, promises to be nothing behind its predecessor, that of 1888, at London. A prospectus has been published. One hundred and eighty-seven delegates from the United States were present at the London Conference, and a full share of the speeches were made by Americans.

FROM time to time we have tried to point out that the West India Mission is in a great territory, where there is little gospel effort. The fact that not far from our oldest stations, as WOMAN'S WORK said awhile ago, there are several towns with population from 10,000 to 15,000 each, in which there is no missionary—to say nothing of the numerous smaller towns and uncounted villages—is one way of conveying this idea. Another way is Rev. Joseph Graham's way. He says that he has gone out from Sangli and pitched his tent in a place and, without moving 15 miles from the tent, has visited 125 towns that are recorded on government maps, many of them having a population of several thousands; "and this," he says, "is a fair sample of the whole field."

TO "ride the dragon" is Chinese version of "riding shank's mare."

TWO of the new men for Central China have been specially provided for in New York, one of them by the Central Church, which already had three missionaries in the field.

ONE Chinese boy has been sent from Victoria, B.C., another from Australia, to our mission school in Canton, to be trained for the ministry.

OUR MISSIONARIES ON HAINAN AND THE PACIFIC COAST,

AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Mrs. Wm. M. Campbell, Hoihow,	Kiungchow.	Mrs. Paul W. McClintock,	Nodoa.
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LAST LETTERS FROM MRS. LAUGHLIN.

MRS. J. H. LAUGHLIN.
From photograph taken 1891.

JENNIE ANDERSON, born in Allegheny, Butler Co., Pa., **August 17, 1853;** sailed for Chefoo, China, **August, 1878;** married to Rev. J. H. Laughlin of Wei Hien, **August 17, 1886;** aided her husband in opening a station in the great city of Chiningchow, **1892;** there died, **May 3, 1899.**

This slender thread of significant dates accounts for a noble life. Its foundations of physical strength, courage and energy were laid at birth; its spiritual trend was decided at fourteen years when it was given to Christ and the Church; its mental development, begun at Glade Run Academy, was broadened at Ames College, Iowa, and solidified by teaching.

Miss Anderson was the first unmarried woman of the Presbyterian Mission, perhaps of any mission, in North China, to brave the hardships and opprobrium of country work. Chinese officials opposed her itineration on the ground of propriety. But she had not laid herself on the altar of China to settle into a snug, comfortable round at Chefoo. Judiciously, persistently, she persevered in itinerating, until officials were convinced and a path was blazed for any single woman who chose to follow her. There were still better results. In protracted visits in their homes Mrs. Laughlin learned Chinese character and customs thoroughly; in nearness to the people her sympathy, appreciation, even affection were drawn out. She had the habit, to a remarkable degree, of not talking down to the Chinese but of getting down beside them. In awful famine scenes she ministered and endured where many a woman would have simply died from odors.

There was not a Christian in Chiningchow when she went there to live, and the loneliness of such a mass of surrounding heathenism depressed her; then, as doors opened, "my every thought about the work is gratitude and joy." She put a great value upon kindliness from the Chinese and her "museum" was the invention of a heart that longed to give and receive friendship; nor, so long as the people were civil or well-intentioned, would she allow anything to put them at a distance from her. Their house was painted, not to please American eyes but Chinese taste. "This old wall is full of chinks and there used to be always curious eyes peeping through, but we let them peep and tried not to have anything going on that would seem strange to the Chinese, and we made friends with the women by calling them there, and asking their advice about dress for ourselves and Isabel." Little Daughter was permitted to exchange courtesies with Chinese children and play freely with them in the court, where see-saw and swing were placed designedly. Though for twenty years Mrs. Laughlin has lived with a crowd of Chinese women and children coming and going, the fact that she was hostess, last year, to *five thousand* is almost inconceivable. No wonder that she writes, just one month before she rested from her labors:

"Lately I have had so many visitors that I am well worn out with them. The Spring Festival brought thousands of country women into the city. Only a few modest hundreds visited me, but they were enough to trample the flowers out of my front yard, for the rooms would not hold them all. . . Visitors give us the chance to show the people that we are human, not horned unicorns. Some of these women are the religionists, the best to teach the doctrine of a way of escape from sin, for they feel that they need such a gospel."

Mrs. Laughlin came back to America but three times; last in '95, making the journey on account of her family, at her own charges, and staying only four months.

Up to the time of this writing no letter has arrived giving the circumstances of Mrs. Laughlin's death, but several letters from her own pen have been received since the cable dispatch. Our readers will discern the characteristics they have often enjoyed in her letters—letters as unaffected and honest as were ever sent home from a mission field—and will be moved, as they read, to thanksgiving for the life that has closed and to prayer for her dear ones; for all that are impoverished by loss of her in the Chining-chow villages, that heard of Jesus from her lips, or might have heard.

CHINING, March 13, 1899.

We have a class of women, Mrs. Murray and I, such *unusual* women, I thought you might like to know about them. Eleven of them, and they really seem vitally interested in the doctrine and this makes teaching them delightful work—I mean delightful to one's spirit and uplifting to one's faith. Physically and mentally it leaves me almost a wreck. Two of them are over seventy years of age, four others are about sixty, and, never having learned anything and all having the detestable habit of talking all the time, they are not easy to teach. We thought to teach them a very simple prayer. I would repeat "I pray God to pity me," whereupon they would say: "I pray me have pity on God." "Oh, no! Not that—you must think what it means—you know when a beggar comes to your gate—" "Oh; yes! yes! We understand that—can we just talk to God?" "Yes. Now say it after me!" "God pray me pity on" they will cheerfully repeat. A half day of work like that almost sends one to the lunatic asylum, and the Chinese just won't do it—they say, "She is too stupid, she could never learn a prayer."

The Last Country Class.

I do not know how many hundred times of saying it over it required, but the stupidest one of the old women now knows two little prayers and, I hope, has a good general idea of the way of salvation. Yesterday morning when I went down she was kneeling on the cold stone door-step repeating her prayers and knocking her head on the stone at every sentence; this is their idea of reverence. This old woman is only stupid in the matter of learning. She seems quick about understanding what is explained to her. She seems to feel that something *must be done* if she is to attain to happiness hereafter. Mostly the women are quite indifferent as to any other life but this. She came up to the house last night to ask if I was *sure* that Jesus would know her and admit her to heaven. "Knowing only those two little prayers, would He not say that it was not enough?" She has many superstitions, but she is anxiously seeking salvation, and altogether we think that we have never had such a class of women, those so much in earnest about being saved. One doesn't mind stupidity if only one does not find indifference.

March 24th.

I think the way to do is to take the duty that comes nearest, so when we have plenty of visitors and there is much to do in the way of teaching at home, I never go itinerating; but when a slack time comes, or some one else can look after visitors, then I fold up, not my tent but my bed and some other little belongings, and it is usually some one else who "steals away" my things.

Itinerating—Playing the Caged Animal.

We have not this country very well opened up yet to itinerating work, I am speaking of woman's work; men can go everywhere with great ease, but a woman is still in many districts a traveling circus. The inns are for the most part bad too, just one big room where the wheel-barrow men huddle together, and there is no door but a big door frame, so wide there is no way to stop it up, and, when a woman goes into one of those places, all the rabble in the town assemble around that doorway, and one plays the caged animal while the crowd makes rude remarks, and there has to be a tempest of wrath expended before the people can be subdued. There are some happy exceptions, and some places that were just dreadful on first visits have afterwards become very pleasant places to stop in, and I hope we have done good work in many of them: but taken all in all, itinerating in new districts is very hard work, not on account of physical hardships, though I have had to sleep on the ground and had not too much to eat, but because the crowds are such a nervous strain. I see though, enough in the way of results to feel that it is well to keep at this same itinerating. When the people come to know us and we can go without making excitement and stay a few days and teach the women and children, it seems like advancing the work.

But we have rather a novel way of preparing the village people for itinerators. A wee little bit of a museum, not much in it—mostly Lina Bell's toys—some good things, a sewing machine for one, and these things are attractive to the people. First our neighbors came to

A Museum for a Magnet.

see them, then they brought their friends, and country women when they come into the city to visit friends always come to see the museum. Last year we had over five thousand visitors—women and children. When I went out on a tour through some villages where I had never been before, I was surprised to find in so many of them women who had been at our house, and always, if they had been here, the whole village would be good to us. I came home resolved to try to work up a little museum to a higher point of attractiveness, being fully persuaded that in no other way can I so readily influence the villagers.

We can reach villages along the canal easily enough. The houseboats are quite luxurious. We are tempted to wish that canals were more frequent, but there is only the one and, in the spring, its water is too low for boating.

In different parts of the country there are now villages where Christians live, and we like to go and stay in them and teach the women in Christian families and help them, and you cannot think what a nuisance it is to be a woman under these circumstances. All the rowdy men and boys in the village must crowd around to see a woman, and it takes them so long to be satisfied. They would stare for a whole long day, I think, if the victim could endure it. Perhaps you think you would not mind a few poor, ignorant heathen—but, ah me! they make one feel very small, these poor, ignorant heathen. "Did you ever see anything like the size of those feet?" I hear one say in an undertone to another. "Boots, *black* boots," a woman says, and her scorn is visible to the naked eye, "do you never wear flowered shoes?"

Nuisance to be a Woman—Staring.

Since I wrote the first of this letter, Mrs. Murray and her little girl and I with my little girl went out one day on wheelbarrow. These barrows have the wheel in the middle and a seat on each side, no spring, no pneumatic tire. It was decidedly bumpy. We carried our luncheon in a basket, and visited two or three villages, the most distant one about seven miles from home. By that time we were faint and weary so we went to a little food shop, hoping not to have many spectators. I had a cup to hold alcohol (native) and a tin can with both ends cut out and punctured sides, for a frame to hold the kettle; with that we made coffee. An audience gathered and they enjoyed watching us so much that I really did not get as furious as I mostly do under such circumstances, and then there were not many men. I can stand women and children staring better than I can men. Mrs. Murray wore a pair of old gloves, and the people kept asking what was the matter with her hands—her face was white and pretty, did she have boils that she had to tie up her hands?

Villages by the thousand where the people have no knowledge of anything but their own little world, and they know nothing of hope for a life beyond this. The work is truly colossal when one goes about and sees the places still unreached. "When and how will they ever know"? This is the thought that nerves one for the village work. Last year I visited fifty-two villages. This year Mrs. Murray is here to help and I hope that we may go to many more. There are over one hundred church members now, most of them village people. We have been here only six years and a half. How joyful it will be when everywhere there will be Christians! Humanly speaking, that time looks a long way off yet for China, but "the fullness of time" may be nearer than we know. Pray that we may be able to endure the wheelbarrows and carts and inns and crowds, the fleas and flies and the other many insects that civilized people do not mention, and above all that the hearts of the people may be *prepared* so that villages and homes may open up to receive the truth—and if anybody has cards, bits of dress goods, send us a little package by mail, once in a while, for these are helpful in itinerating too. If I sew up on the sewing machine a bright-colored little scent-bag, and let a country woman take it home and give her a picture card besides, the woman is straightway committed to friendship and when I go to her village she knows me, and tells her neighbors with great unction about the things she saw at my home and how kind I was to her, and, instead of a wild rabble, we have a friendly visit.

Colossal Work Ahead.

Little Aids to a Great End.

I wish that we could add a thousand villages this year to our country work. It is more than my faith is equal to, but my weak faith has been rebuked by a class of very earnest women from a country village. I had so little hope of them that I hesitated about inviting them to come for a week to study. I feared that they only wanted their food and I almost missed the blessing of having them come. I believe they are really touched by the Spirit and I rejoice greatly—*eleven* of them.

Oh, for a Thousand Villages.

This letter is long, maybe it will not be very satisfactory. I have written it in little spaces between teaching the women and going to the museum. We are planning now for the spring itinerating. Some districts about here are so lawless that it is not safe for a woman to go, but we do not insist on going to these places!

Yours in the
Service of our dear Lord
Jennie Anderson Laughlin

SALVATION FOR HAINAN—WORKED OUT AND FREE.

[The girls' school at Kiungchow cost the mission less than five dollars gold, last year, the Industrial Department having largely covered expenses. There were 17 resident pupils and a total of 38. All Hainanese except 3 Hakkas.—Ed.]

The chief object of the Industrial De-

partment in our school is self-support, although common sewing would have been taught anyway. Fourteen of the older girls were taught to make edging in various patterns, to hemstitch handkerchiefs, knit stockings, make children's underclothing, embroider table scarfs, and to make Chinese clothing. In fact we took in whatever sewing we thought could be done. The missionary wives gave us orders for whatever could be of service to them, some even sending edging home to their friends.

This needlework was done during recreation hours, and required a great deal of supervision. Aside from earnings in this way, we insisted on every girl who was able, paying a portion of her own expenses in money. Many paid half. We hope in the future to do even better, by having all pay something towards their support, enabling them to give a greater portion of their time to study, and to devote to industrial work only sufficient to make them skillful with the needle, to cultivate habits of industry, and to keep them out of mischief during play hours. We would like to have each girl in school know how to make a neat shoe to fit a natural foot, so that those who do not bind their feet need not suffer the humiliation of going barefoot. Last year we employed a woman who taught this to two girls. We could not do them a greater favor, nor one of a more permanent character. The excuse almost always given for not unbinding is that there are no shoes to wear.

This fall Miss Schaeffer and I took an itinerating trip, going as far as Liamui, a market town lying upon a plateau in the heart of Hainan and on the border of the Loi country. We received a most cordial welcome all along the valley, a distance of forty miles, finding crowds willing to listen to our message. Women in some places, clinging to our hands and coats, begged us

to stay and teach them. We sold everything we had in the shape of leaflet, tract or gospel, and regretted that we had not taken several more loads with us. After a stay of a few days in Lia-mui, a woman known as the "*sai hûi-nin*" ("vegetable garden woman"), having the largest and finest gardens I have seen in China, became, it seemed to us, an earnest Christian. Like thousands of women on the island, she was addicted to the filthy habit of chewing betel-nut. Her mouth and lips, stained a dark brown, presented a most unsightly appearance, her teeth were worn down and discolored, while every few moments she would eject from her mouth a quantity of blood-red juice which spattered all over the ground. Our dear old Bible-woman* (herself a betel-nut chewer many years before) told her that it was not only a dirty habit, but sinful, and that she could not chew betel-nut in Heaven, "for Heaven," she said, "is a pure and holy place; nothing unclean can enter there." The woman at once stood up before us, and taking the quid from her mouth, much as a user of tobacco would, stepped to the door and threw it out, saying "I'll never chew it again." It was a delight to see the change in her personal appearance after a few days. Before we left she had interested several of her male relatives in the truth, they purchasing our books to the value of several hundred cash. Since then a man from Lia-mui has come to Kiungchow for special instruction and will be baptized at the next communion service. So you see we already have in that region a nucleus of a church.

Lia-mui is the gateway of the Loi region, large numbers of them coming there twice a year to sell their mountain products, and returning with other goods in exchange. Their homes are in the fastnesses of the hills, where they are a menace to the Chinese on the borders, coming up against them frequently in bands, destroying villages, robbing, and in many instances killing any against whom they have a grudge.

The Loi coil their hair upon the forehead in a shape resembling a huge horn. The men wear a loin cloth, the women wear a short skirt, about a foot in length, beautifully woven. They tattoo the face of a woman with various designs, more frequently the name of the family into which she marries, as she must ever afterwards be identified with her husband's tribe. These Loi are not idolaters nor Confucionists and so are considered a hopeful people. But they are given to drunkenness. They frequently use up their rice harvest in making a fiery whiskey, and afterwards suffer from a famine of food.

Etta Montgomery.

* See account in WOMAN'S WORK, July, '96, p. 179.

LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES IN AFRICA.†

THE WOMEN OF GABOON AND CORISCO, 1842–1870.

These years witnessed sadly frequent partings with associates returning to America, and with those for whom God had provided a better thing. The deaths were by no means all chargeable to climate. Waves were the winding-sheet of the Simpsons, the young Irish pair. The beautiful Eliza had written as they left America, "*Though we be all swallowed in the deep, don't forget to pray for Africa.*" Mrs. Mackey died of an apoplectic attack forty-one days after arriving at Gaboon, and while a guest there. These were from Pennsylvania.

The first missionary grave at Gaboon was made in 1848, for a young wife, Mrs. Zeviah Walker, two months after the birth of her child. A few old headmen were invited to her bedside to see how a Christian dies, and "they sat silent as in the days of Job." "She never regretted going to Africa, nor will she ever." Mrs. Walker was from Massachusetts.

Mrs. Benj. Griswold, twice widowed in Africa, died of fever Feb., '49, less than ten years after she reached Cape Palmas. "So cheerful, so energetic, so useful. In lucid seasons she spoke connectedly of confidence in her Saviour. The woman's meeting is bathed in tears."

Feb., '50, Mrs. Anna Beers Bushnell followed. She bequeathed to the American Board $50, which were deposited in a savings bank, "a dying thank-offering for having had the privilege of laboring thirteen years on the shores of W. Africa. Tell young Christians in America

† Crowded out from "Memorial Day," printed last month.

my dying testimony, that I have found Christ's service here easy and pleasant and now I find it good to suffer his will." Later she broke forth in ecstasy, "Jesus is precious, how precious! I have got a glimpse of him this morning such as I have long desired." Mrs. Bushnell was from Salem, N. Y., and went single to Africa, under the Methodist Board. Only two weeks after her death occurred that of Mrs. Mackey.

In the course of ten days of July, 1852, Mrs. Porter saw her husband pass away, gave birth to her baby, and yielded her own life. She "spent much time in prayer," "till last moments expressed unwavering trust and hoped others would not be deterred by their early deaths." Mrs. Susan Pierce followed her in '55. "She reached Africa, saw something of its wretchedness, felt her heart stirred within her, and just as she was putting her hand to the work a voice said, 'Come up higher,' and she departed in all the freshness of her youth." She was from Bangor, Maine.

The first grave on Corisco was opened in '57 for Mrs. DeHeer, whose home had been in Holland. "Her end was calm and peaceful." In '61 Mrs. Loomis was taken. She said that she had felt "all the bitterness of death, and yet it was not bitter." After two short years on Corisco, Mrs. John Menaul died there in '70, but was laid in the burial ground at Benito, where, seven months afterward, they laid also what was mortal of Mrs. Mary Latta Nassau. The boat had rounded Cape St. John and was making for Elobi in the darkness, when sleep touched her eyes and her waking was to the Sabbath rest of Heaven. Mrs. Nassau was from Chester Co., Pa., and had been a missionary ten years.

"'Ye shall be sorrowful.' The conflict rages
Between Christ's servants and the hosts of sin,
And ever thus, throughout the passing ages,
His soldiers fall, unfading crowns to win.

"And fall they while the goal still distant lies,
With scarce a word yet spoken for their Lord,
His sweet approval He doth yet accord;
Their 'feet' are beauteous in their Master's eyes."

ACHIEVED—THE PHILADELPHIA HOSPITAL IN INDIA.

PHILADELPHIA HOSPITAL, AMBALA, INDIA—GENERAL VIEW.

Entrance at the right, long windows in operating room, wards for in-patients beyond to the left.

At the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Foreign Missionary Society, having its headquarters in Philadelphia, the sum of five thousand dollars from the Silver Jubilee offering was publicly placed in the hands of Dr. Jessie Carleton for the erection of a woman's hospital at Ambala, India. In reply, standing before the great meeting, Dr. Carleton thanked the givers in the name of the women of India, saying: "You do not know what this means at Ambala! It means no more crowding, no more turning people away to die unrelieved; but room to make them comfortable and time to tell them of Christ." She might have added, "You do not know what it means to myself." As she stepped down from the

platform Dr. Carleton expressed to a friend her sense of deep responsibility to discharge her obligation wisely, and, as soon as she returned to India, she instituted a series of conscientious efforts to accomplish the expenditure of that money with the greatest economy and to the greatest advantage. Journeys were taken in the search for the best location, best plans, best builder, for that hospital. Serious difficulties arose regarding a suitable piece of land. Hopes were deferred. Efforts "to hustle the East" were as ineffective as they usually are. Finally, the last Annual Report of the Mission states that, "Owing to the heavy strain upon her in connection with her general practice and the management of the new building," Dr. Carleton had been ill. "Her life was for a time despaired of."

NURSES' QUARTERS AT THE EXTREME LEFT, AND A SECTION OF THE WARDS OF PHILADELPHIA HOSPITAL.

We are happy to add that she has now made a good recovery and gone off on a vacation in Kashmir.

Great hopes went across the sea with that offering, and now that, after four years, the hospital has materialized in brick and mortar, it is believed those hopes are about to be abundantly realized. Our information regarding the well-named "Philadelphia Hospital" is of a fugitive character, but such as it is, we give it. The pictures speak for themselves.

The group of connected buildings stands upon a lot of four acres, a mile from Ambala, between the city and mission compound. It is built of brick, and in one story to suit Indian ideas. It avails of the water supply which has lately been introduced in the city, and, to secure proper seclusion for Indian women, the hospital grounds are enclosed with a high wall. Flowers and creepers grow inside the wall and most of the trees are said to be acacias. On either side of the gateway (at our right in the picture) stands a square brick and mortar pillar, in the face of which a red sandstone slab is set bearing an inscription. On the one pillar is cut: "American Presbyterian Mission;" on the other: "The Philadelphia Hospital."

For thoroughness in its erection, the hospital owes much to the gratuitous services of an Englishman, Mr. Campion, of the Department of Public Works at Ambala. He put his own contractor upon the building and took the responsibility of seeing that the man did his work. Dr. Carleton held open dispensary in the new hospital for some weeks in December and January. The first surgical operation, coming before she was strong enough to undertake it herself, was performed by the English civil surgeon in the city, Dr. Carleton and Dr. Maud Allen assisting. The case was a Hindu woman, an old patient of Dr. Carleton's, who traveled off into the district to get her. Arriving at midnight at the woman's door, after a ten miles' *bailie* ride, she brought her to the hospital where the operation was a perfect success.

It is understood on this side of the ocean that the official "opening" of the hospital is postponed until autumn, but medical work does not wait for that. It goes on regularly in charge of Dr. Allen.

The following stanza has been sent by Mrs. Thackwell as the expression of what she hopes may suit the experience of many future patients:

"Once I was deaf and dumb and weak and dead,
Now cleansed and quickened into life, and led.
A sinner once by nature, now by grace

Among the blood-washed I have found a place,
And in the courts of Jesus I shall stand,
Saved by His blood, led thither by His hand."

That this is to be the blessed consummation for many a soul at the Philadelphia Hospital we have an intimation in a few lines which Mrs. Walter Clark lately wrote from Ambala:

"In woman's work here, perhaps the most important is the medical. Dr. Jessie Carleton has built up a good medical work. The hospital has just been completed and is well equipped. The women come from far and near. It is not unusual to find one who has come twenty miles to see the Christian doctor. Last week, in the absence of the Bible-woman, I went over and taught the women there. They are given tickets when they come and, while they wait their turn, stay on the verandah and listen to Bible teaching and hymns. I did enjoy that day with them. They were such simple, nice women, who listened eagerly and would come back and ask me to sing one more hymn or tell one more story. Village women listen better than city people. One could only pray and pray that they might not forget."

A MEDICAL CASE AT FEROZEPORE, INDIA.

Taloksingh, a *zamindar** and well off, lives in a village about twenty miles from here. One evening in the summer when we were seated out on the grass-plot in front of our house, seeking a breath of fresh hot air—the kind of fresh air we have in these parts when the zephyr comes over the parched plains like a blast from the furnace—a son of Taloksingh came and timidly sought an interview. I rose and asked his errand. He said his small brother had been bitten by a camel. The beast had seized the little fellow by the leg above the knee and crunched the bone into bits. This was three months ago, and since, all that could be thought of by all the elderly women and wise men of the village had been done; poultices, plasters, ointments of every description had been applied. The Brahmins had been consulted and many magic formulas had been tried. Talismans, too, containing sacred verses from the Vedas and the Koran, had been tied around the leg with black woolen threads. And yet, with all this and more, the wound would not heal. It grew foul, the bone became necrosed, and the poor lad's suffering was unbearable. Now, at last, they had put him on an ox-cart and brought him to the city, and, having heard of the mission hospital, had come to make terms. If only I would cure his little brother, they would "make me a happy man." "How happy?" I asked. "Well," after thinking it over, "we will give you thirty rupees." Of course, that settled it! Only, in a moment of generosity, I replied that the money did not signify, and they should bring the boy next day.

So they came, Taloksingh the father, the mother and the big brother. It was a terrible case, indeed, and soon it became evident that nothing would now do but amputation at the thigh. To make them satisfied that this was necessary, I asked the English surgeon of the station to see the case. He concurred in the opinion that the leg must come off, so a day was fixed upon, and little Mala was lifted on to the operating table, the assistants and the father standing by. We first had prayer, asking God for help. Then in a jiffy the big knife did its work, and in twenty minutes Mala was back in his senses lying comfortably on his bed, the stump bandaged clean and snug. Mala had another brother, three years old, who would fold his hands and pray—"*He Permesur mere bhai nun raji kar*"—O God, make my brother well. Whence did he learn his little prayer unless from father or mother? The answer is plain, for, though the Sikhs are notoriously pantheistic they are inconsistent, as I am convinced all unbelievers are. They talk of God the Creator when off guard, ejaculate the prayer when in distress, but deny his existence in an argument and, what is worse, by their works, for the majority even of the pious among them, would hardly claim exemption from lying, swearing or stealing.

Taloksingh was elderly, with gray hair and beard, a man of few words and of singular features, the result of paralysis of one side of his face including the tongue. Tears would escape from the eye on the palsied side while he winked repeatedly with the eye on the other side. This gave the old man a serio-comic air when one conversed with him. But the mother—she was a caution. No palsy about her tongue. We were satisfied of this by the frequency with which she

* Farmer.

rated us for not curing her darling Mala sooner. Sometimes she would turn her invective upon her husband, just for a change. We of the dispensary staff were fain to keep to the far end of the yard, in which the family stayed under a shade-tree. It came to a climax one day when Mala's stump had all but healed. A note came from the surgeon asking for his fee, and when I gently hinted to the parents that it would be appropriate to pay *him*, though *I* should ask for nothing for myself, then did Mrs. T. show at her very best. I pointed out that Rs. 32 was not a prodigious sum for people to pay, as well off as they were, and besides, "did not one member of your family promise Rs. 30 at the beginning?" Upon this she flew into a fresh rage and wanted to know who the "hog" was who had promised such a ruinous sum. In fact, we were nothing but a band of thieves they had fallen amongst; we had cut off her boy's leg and thus ruined him for life, and were now plundering them; for her part, she would not submit to it. Poor Taloksingh stood by in silence, winking with one eye and tears trickling down from the other. He offered Rs. 8, made it 10, then 12, finally 15, but beyond this he dared not go, for there was Xanthippe eyeing him all the time. He left the rupees on the table and retreated with his wife, and has never been heard of since. *Francis J. Newton* (*M.D.*).

THE RAS BEIRÛT READING-ROOM—SYRIA.

It was during one of our usual neighborhood calls and our hostess, a refined, sweet-faced woman, with an earnestness made prominent by years of illness, was telling us a story which had now become sadly familiar, of her boy, whom she had petted and pampered with all the pride of an Oriental mother, now all given over to the new temptations of drink.

"Cannot you interest him in reading?" we asked.

"I wish I could," she sighed, "but he will not open a book. See here!" and climbing upon a box in the corner, she reached down from a shelf a pile of dusty English school-books. "He used to study these, but now all he cares for is his wild companions."

We prayed for him together and urged the need of making home bright, but she looked around her meagrely-furnished room with a perplexity suggestive of her still more meagre stock of personal and mental resources, and we did not wonder that her son grew restless for something more. We left with a determination that something must be done. This was not the first nor the second home in which such a story had been told, and we felt that time could not be lost in arranging a place where the boys could have a better time than at the *cafés*.

Our first interview was with the superintendent of the boys' day-school. His approval was a great gain; the school-room was not needed during the evening and we might do what we liked in it. He also carried a message to the Y. M. C. A. of the Syrian Protestant College, and, to our joy, twenty of the best fellows in the institution pledged their help. One clever young man, who can handle his plane and chisel as well as a professional carpenter, offered to make the necessary articles for ring-toss, shuffle-board and other games, which he did most ingeniously, sacrificing to it a good part of his Christmas vacation.

After this came a series of fascinating shopping raids, in which we explored old parts of the town, investigating Arabic bookstores. The foremost bookseller of the city listened with unexpected interest to our plan, and of his own motion offered books at a fraction of his usual prices. Of course the Mission Press was largely drawn upon. Then followed interviews with a carpenter and unaccustomed dealings in rough planks, which resulted in a substantial bookcase, with a prudently prepared duplicate key! Great stir was made among the wriggling school boys when a porter arrived with the bookcase on his back, and the Y. M. C. A. delegation and the young lady from down the street appeared at the school-room with a ladder, a hanging lamp and armfuls of books, maps and games. The landlady, with an old broom had whitewashed the walls herself, to fit them for their new glory. The pictures, plain as they were, were a surprise, and one of the young men, as he helped to hang them, remarked reflect-

ively: "Truly the work of woman in the world is good."

Next, an invitation was circulated among the young men of the neighborhood for some new sort of an evening gathering at the boys' school. The set time arrived and the benches filled up with a solemn and awe-struck assembly. Not a word was exchanged, not a smile nor a recognition! It was too dreadful. With nervous eagerness we whispered to the speaker to please begin at once. He was one of the Syrian tutors of the College, with a popular manner of speaking, and in a few minutes the audience was rapt in listening to the connection between the drops on the under side of a coffee-pot lid and the rain that falls from the clouds. We smiled and agreed that the subject was a fitting one for a temperance enterprise. By this time the boys had almost forgotten their embarrassment, and without further delay, we opened up our treasures. The effect was electric. In five minutes the whole stiff roomful was broken into groups, some over games, many more poring over books and of course reading aloud! They were too excited just now to read consecutively, but would try first one thing, then another. Everything was drawn, from the Bible to Arabian Nights.

In the midst of the excitement, we were petrified by the entrance of a magnificently uniformed officer, to all appearances come to shut up the place. But he was only the night-policeman. Our president took him in hand, and soon his pomposity was regaling the company with roars of laughter over a game of dominoes. Apparently, he had the best time of any one there. At nine o'clock we distributed hymn-books, had some lusty singing, and closed with a short prayer from one of the students.

Sunday the club-room was not opened, but quite a squad of the young fellows appeared at the evening meeting, held in another house. Nothing had been said to them about coming but they were keen enough to realize that the two meetings had the same end in view. They greeted us at the close of the service with glowing expressions of good comradeship, and the spontaneous remark, "Now we shall come regularly to Sunday meetings." One of them, we were delighted to see, was the son of the invalid mother whose trouble had first led us to plan the Club. There was a newly-aroused ambition on his face. "Some of us fellows," he said, "who left school together a while ago, have decided to brush up our English again. We have the books and are going to take them around to the reading-room." We beamed approval, but never told that we had seen those same books.

Others, who had not yet learned to read, begged that the library be supplied with English and Arabic primers, which was promptly done, and we also invested in Arabic writing-books. They proved so popular that some budding intellects conceived the plan of filling them all up in one evening. But this superfluous ardor was suppressed by the student in charge. The Utopian cast of feminine plans was reflected in the effort of a lady friend to supply neatly corked inkstands for the writing class. She carefully hunted up corks and whittled them to a neat fit, but her zeal was dashed next day by finding that every cork had disappeared. Henceforth, when the ink dries up in the ink-wells, a little water will be added!

Soon after the reading-room was opened, the worst tough of the neighborhood was brought in, one who goes about half drunk most of the time. Quite on his own responsibility, the president took a radical method with him, talked about the shame of what he was doing, and told him that now he was going to pray for him before all the Club. The assembly grinned approval and even the culprit agreed, so the president prayed. It is too soon yet to report the answer; it is good enough to know that the event did not frighten the young man from coming again. He now has in his possession a small Testament, a little private gift from the president.

Our Club is now barely two weeks old, but so far the room has been filled every evening with a wide-awake crowd and the hum of their voices all reading aloud at the same time. This is purposely an unobtrusive effort, but our encouragement is that, already, the keeper of the nearest drinking *café* complains that we are spoiling his business.

Alfreda Post.

BEIRUT, Jan. 14, 1899.

THE GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, WEI HIEN, CHINA.

FOUNDATIONS, PRINCIPLES, FIRST GRADUATES.

HIGH SCHOOL AT WEI HIEN, CHINA.

For many years it has been the desire of Wei Hien Station to educate young women for the special purpose of teaching country schools. We have been handicapped in our efforts for girls by want of proper teachers.

Through the generous legacy of Mrs. I. Faries of Minneapolis, we were at last enabled to build a schoolhouse, with dormitories, dining room, kitchen and bath. All the appointments are in the plainest Chinese style, which is consistent with the cultivation of habits of cleanliness. Often Miss Boughton and I have longed to add various conveniences — little things which seem absolutely essential to Western civilization; but even though we had the money to do so, we would not consider it wise. We want our girls to go back to their homes very different from what they came to us, it is true, but not lifted so far out of their own civilization as to be unfitted for usefulness in their future sphere.

The school is on a self-supporting basis, though charges are graded according to family circumstances. All the pupils provide their own clothing, bedding, Chinese books and traveling expenses, while some also pay the full cost of their food, and others pay according to ability.

I am glad to report that of the 41 girls in school, 41 girls have unbound feet, the result, in the case of those who came with feet bound, of personal influence and not any rule of the school.

We graduated the first class in March. We had expected this occasion would distinguish the month of June next, and that seventeen girls would be graduated, having finished the prescribed course of five years in the country schools and four years at the High School. But three of the oldest of them had received some previous training in Tungchow, and being bright, studious girls, were able to finish their course in advance of their class. Their graduation was a great event—to the girls themselves, to the Chinese audience, many of whom were attending such exercises for the first time, and truly a great event to us foreigners.

It is matter of regret that the Chinese face loses so much in photography. A

world-traveled German,* who in passing through Wei Hien took a photograph of the whole school, made the remark to me just before taking their picture, "I cannot say that I see beautiful faces among these girls, but I am much surprised at their intelligent faces." Could you have seen our three girls that morning in all the bravery of their graduating finery, I am sure you would have agreed with us in thinking they were not only intelligent looking, but really did look "the sweet girl graduate." Their costumes, instead of regulation white, were a rainbow of colors. Could you have but gazed on those pink drawers and that purple gown trimmed with black lace, or those green drawers and that lavender gown, or those gay embroidered shoes, the pride of a Chinese girl's heart, you must have been impressed with the Oriental love of color even if your ideas of taste were somewhat startled.

It is with genuine pride we look upon these girls and compare them with what they might have been without these years of training. Two of them lost their mothers when quite small, and it is certain could never have become so handy as they are with their needles, or so efficient in cooking—not to mention their knowledge of geography, algebra and astronomy. One is the daughter of a wealthy farmer, another of people of ordinary means; the third is a *protegé* of Mr. Mateer.

The valedictory brought tears to the eyes of the forty-one girls and, I must confess, my own eyes had a moisture about them that made the notes of my music rather unsteady. After a few well chosen words from Mr. Mateer, the girls sang their parting song to their companions and then the school joined in a "speeding song" written for them by one of the Chinese teachers. At the close Sin T'su stepped forth and for herself and companions made a graceful little speech, thanking those who had come to hear their exercises, the Chinese teachers who had taught them, the foreign teachers to whom they could not sufficiently express their gratitude, and the great Presbyterian Church of America for giving them their education.

Our first Commencement was over, marred only by the unavoidable absence of Miss Boughton. May it be the commencement of three lives useful in the service of our Lord and Master. After two weeks' vacation our graduates went immediately as teachers to three country schools.

(*Mrs. F. H.*) *Jennie M. Chalfant.*

* Herr Von Wartegg, who has written various articles for *The Century.*

VICISSITUDES OF A LAOS STATION.

REV. ROBERT IRWIN after living about one month with his wife was constrained to leave her at Lakawn, where the medical post would otherwise be vacant, and proceed alone to Nan, where, four months, he was the solitary missionary, and where he wrote:

"I give you a bit of history showing some of the ups and downs, especially the downs, of Nan Station. It will make interesting, almost romantic reading. One might easily imagine that he was perusing the history of movements of missionaries on the West Coast of Africa, except that starred names would be there. In the good providence of God that has not been necessary in Nan, yet. Another thing, it will be a typical history of all the stations of this mission."

From Mr. Irwin's account we take the following facts: From Feb., '95 when Dr. and Mrs. Peoples reached Nan, till Sept., '98, six different missionaries have resided there, but only once, and for a brief time, were as many as four there together. Severe illness of three persons, and transferences in order to patch up weak stations, have occasioned constant changes. The total occupancy by all the workers at Nan was equivalent to sixty-seven months' occupancy by one person. Two of the missionaries were new and without the language. Yet, with this small outlay, there had been nineteen baptisms previous to September last.

Year.	No. at Nan.	Mos. Nan was Occupied.	Mos. in Time of One Person.	Baptisms.
1895	4	6	10	4
1896	5	10½	22	6
1897	4	10½	27	6
1898; Jan.1–Sept. 20,	3	7½	10	3

HAINAN.

TRIP TO LIA-MUI.

MISS KATE SCHAEFFER wrote from KIUNG CHOW, March 3:

. . . I have always felt it to be a part of my missionary duty to keep my constituents at home posted as to the state of affairs on the field.

The last week of October and November, up to Thanksgiving, I spent in directing thirty to fifty workmen, who built two rooms for us in place of some tumbledown ruins that stood in the rear of our compound. These rooms have board floors and are about five feet up from the ground. We hope now to have less fever than before. I paid off the last workman the night before Thanksgiving, and next morning Miss Montgomery and I started off on a country trip which took us pretty well into the interior of the island. If you will look on a map of Hainan and find Lia-mui you will see where we went. We were gone twenty-eight days and had a grand opportunity for teaching the gospel. This does not mean that a hundred or even ten people accepted the gospel. The heathen do not comprehend so readily. We do think that the efforts of our party were blessed in the conversion of one woman, and one old man also gave evidence of sincerity.

A PARTING ON SHORT NOTICE.

We spent January at work here in Kiung Chow and then, from February on, I must no longer say we, but I; for Miss Montgomery, who has shared with me every joy and sorrow since we first met in San Francisco in September, '94, on our way to Hainan, has sailed for America as a companion for one of our missionary sisters who is ill. Miss Montgomery came home one day about two o'clock and we left the house shortly after five with trunk all packed for home. Was not that a short time in which to prepare for a journey halfway round the world? I assure you we both worked fast, and there was no time for sentiment until we knelt down for prayer before leaving, when we concluded to have silent prayer because neither could control her voice.

UTILIZING AN INTERRUPTION.

This year the Triennial Examinations of the Island are held in this city, and in this part of the city. A girls' school is out of the question at such a time,* and as this house will be a convenient place for evangelistic work with students, even the small boys' school which I had contemplated has been ruled out until after the examinations are over.

I am now preparing one part of the house for a chapel, in which Mr. Newton, with several Chinese assistants, will daily receive students. This is hard work and we are making it the subject of much prayer. The meetings which have been held for women in our house every Sunday for two years will now be moved to Mr. Newton's, in a quieter part of the city.

I hope to start next Tuesday† for another trip to Lia-mui. I take with me four Chinese, all Christians, and no one need fear but that I shall be well taken care of. Besides, nothing can happen to me but what our Father permits, and whatever He permits is well. The talk about the French has quite ceased of late, and we live as if Tonquin were as far away as France itself.

PERSIA.

MRS. MARY SCHAUFFLER LABAREE wrote from URUMIAH in February:

Getting in the fall supplies is a dreadful undertaking here. I just wish some American housekeepers could be obliged to do it for once, they would soon realize where a great deal of our time goes out here. This year it was peculiarly hard, as famine prices are prevailing, and often it was hard to get certain stores, as for instance barley for our horses, at any price whatever.

* On account of the insolence of the students.—EDITOR.

† Was absent 51 days, returning April 26.

We had a delightful Annual Meeting. The first two days were set apart to seeking the Lord's special blessing upon our own souls, and the spirit of those first days pervaded the whole meeting. Of course, we "home-makers" filled in all the time between meetings in caring for our families and our company.

My mothers' meetings have been resumed this winter and I enjoy them much. I wish I could get some one in America who attends such meetings to send me a list of good subjects, practical and simple ones, and any helpful suggestions. Next week we are going to speak of the proper food for children. Don't you think that necessary in a country where they give nursing babies tea to drink? That is a very common occurrence here.

TESTING BY PERSECUTION.

I wonder if you have heard from others of the Russian priests and the wholesale conversion of the old Nestorian Church to the Greek Orthodox Church. A good many of our church members have also enrolled themselves in the Greek Church, and great pressure, even persecution, is brought to bear on others to do so. It is almost impossible for the women in a family to hold out against the men, who often write down the names of their wives, daughters or sisters. A young bride, whose husband is away in Russia, is being forced into the Greek Church by the husband's family. They tell her that if she attends our church they will write him evil things of her and get him to divorce her. If that is not persecution, what is? And yet, during the winter, she has sometimes crept through the fields behind the church and, standing in the snow outside, listened to the words she so longed to hear. May God give her courage to be steadfast.

A YEAR AFTERWARD.

MISS ANNIE G. DALE, writing from TEHERAN, March 4, refers to the return, just a year before, of herself and MISS BARTLETT, after their winter spent in KASVIN:

We made friends with the Kurds while we were in Kasvin, and that friendliness has gained an entrance for us to 6,000 black tents in the country between Kasvin and Resht. These people have never been visited by any missionary. They are wild and lawless, but so convinced were we of their sincerity in inviting us to visit their encampment that we petitioned Teheran Station to allow us to tour slowly to Resht, visiting these black tenters, and, returning, spend the (past) winter in Kasvin. This request the station did not grant. The opinion was that it would be better to open Iran Bethel as a day-school, as there was not enough money to buy supplies and open the boarding-school. In deference to the station opinion we gave up our dearly cherished plans for nomad life, and opened our day-school. We have sixty scholars enrolled and are working along quietly.

Mr. Esselstyn has just returned from a ten days trip to Kasvin and brings cheering news. The head of the Kurds said to him that if we would open a school in Kasvin he would guarantee fifty boys and pay all expenses. It makes my heart glad to know that God has not forgotten the seed of the Kingdom, sown in Kasvin in the winter of '97 and '98.

INDIA.

TOUCHING A MISSION SCHOOL PROBLEM.

MRS. J. C. R. EWING wrote from LAHORE, March 6:

. . . Mrs Gilbertson succeeded several months ago in bringing her Hindu schools into one nice central school. I was very anxious to do so with my schools, but there seemed difficulties in the way, as Mohammedan women are more strictly secluded up in these parts than Hindu women. However, I have succeeded in renting a large and convenient house in a good location, and am closing all the four schools (for Mohammedan girls) and telling the teachers that if they will come to our new house and bring their girls they will be continued in our employ. One teacher has been with us sixteen years, but she is a strict *purdah* woman and, though a poor widow, her people tell her to sit in her house and starve rather than break up the custom of her lifetime, and this I fear she will do. These, you understand, are Mohammedan teachers. The schools have been held in their houses and we simply went and taught for certain hours. This was undoubtedly necessary for years, now we hope and pray that we may not be mistaken in feeling that the full time has come for a change.

It is very curious that while Mrs. Gilbertson and I have been working this out here, the Zenana Mission in the home committee (in England—ED.), has been working out the same thing and doing a lot of correspondence about it, and they are to put into execution a still more radical scheme, *i. e.*, they close all their Mohammedan schools on the 15th inst. and on the 21st open a Christian school in the city. That is, a school with only Christian teachers for Mohammedan girls. At present I prefer to hold on to what we are now trying; even that may not succeed. The Mohammedan

teachers will simply bring their girls and be a sort of guarantee in the minds of parents for the respectability of the school. The mothers are ignorant of us for the most part and believe just what the teachers tell them.

CLEANING THE SCHOOLHOUSE.

The house-owner had promised to have it vacated and whitewashed, and we found the last of the furniture just being removed but not a bit of cleaning done, so we set to work with American push against Oriental delay. We worked in clouds of dust up and down the four stories for several hours, with the assistance of two sweeper-women, a water-carrier, two Mohammedan women and several school girls. There are two full stories; the third story has one large room and a roof-top railed in, and the fourth story a still smaller room and roof-top; a tall, narrow house, in the heart of the city, but very suitable and respectable. We have matting ready to lay down, but must wait for the whitewasher, for I am sure that there are places that have not been cleaned for ten years.

We are interested in this new departure and the getting of all our pupils, be they many or few, under our influence solely. The school will be opened when we arrive and closed when we depart. A couple of women will sleep on the first floor as caretakers, but it will not be used as a general dwelling house. Pray for us especially, dear friends.

A SAINT'S TOMB.

MRS. JOHN FORMAN of FUTTEHGURH, wrote from "IN CAMP," MAKANPUR, February 16:

The *mela* is as sad as it is interesting—sad to see the people so infatuated with a lie. Crowds upon crowds, Hindus and Mohammedans alike, are attracted here every year to worship at the tomb of a saint called the Madar Sahib. He is believed to be alive in his tomb and once a year comes out to take a bath. The *mela* has its origin in this. The people believe he grants their wishes if they succeed in hitting a brass ball pinnacling the dome of his tomb. Multitudes throng about the place throwing a small fruit, and if they hit the ball they go away satisfied. There are two courts around the tomb. We were not allowed inside the outer court, and Hindustani women are not allowed to enter the inner court. A lighted candle or lamp is forbidden near the tomb, as "the saint himself is light," they say. Cooked food is not allowed near, as the Madar Sahib never ate!

The ground was strewn with hair which had been cut from children's heads,—children given by the Madar Sahib, as the parents believed. These children are brought long distances. Their hair is never cut until they are brought here. It is, in a way, a consecration ceremony. It seems so terrible for little children to be trained to believe a lie.

MELA SCENES.

Leaving the tomb, on both sides of the road are long files of beggars; piteous enough is the sight! Outside, crowds are looking at the horses, hundreds of which have been brought, some from Kabul and points this side and some from Australia, having been ordered by Government and then rejected. Hundreds of oxen, cows, donkeys, camels, are also displayed for sale, and a few elephants are to be seen. There are the diminutive oxen led about by *fakirs*. Any monstrosity is looked upon with reverence and the people give their money to the holy possessors of these dwarf animals, thinking in some vague way that they will be blessed for helping to sustain their lives. There are bear dances, too. We were looking at one yesterday which was quite terrifying. A wrestler was thrown, as he always allows himself to be, but this time he lost his rope and so completely lost control of the bear. We were all frightened and no one knew what to do. Finally Mr. Henry Forman thought to look for the rope, as he remembered the brutes do not like to have their noses pulled. He gave one jerk, which released the man.

MRS. WALTER J. CLARK wrote from AMBALA, March 9:

By annual meeting of our mission we were transferred here from Lodiana. It was very hard to leave the friends and work there, where we had made our first home and been so interested in everything. It was especially hard for me to be taken away from the Christian women, their meeting, missionary society, Sunday-school class, etc., and my husband found it hard to leave the school into which he had put his best energies for five years. But the mission seemed to think Mr. Clark the man for the work here, so, like Paul, "assuredly gathering that the Lord has called us," we came to this new field the last of December.

AMBALA IS SAID TO BE

more healthful than Lodiana and certainly the winter has been delightful, much like Florida winters. This is a smaller city, only 25,000 people, but there are fewer workers. Our Christian community is about sixty in all, part of whom live near us and the rest in the native city, which is about a half-mile away.

There are two mission houses here and Miss Pratt and Dr. Carleton live in the other. Dr. Maud Allen is also here this year, and Mrs. Calderwood lives not far from us.

We have a nice little brick church and we are so few that we seem like one family in Christ. The pastor is an earnest young man and preaches good, plain sermons and lives a consistent life. Mr. Clark has charge of the mission high school and oversight of various other lines of work. He has just been for a tour in the Kapar district where there are probably one thousand Christians, all from the lower classes and very ignorant. Mr. Uppal, the native minister, is very capable of organizing them and also does much among the heathen.

But I started to speak of the women's work here. Miss Pratt has chiefly girls' schools among Mohammedans. Mrs. Calderwood has zenana work in different parts of the city and in the villages. Each of these has a Bible woman to help her, but I have none, because there is no money for it. My work is first in my own home, then in the church and among the Christians. I have the women's Bible class, and we have a small Y.W.C.A. which really is a sort of women's prayer-meeting which meets at my home. Two or three days in the week I go to the city to teach among the *chumars* and sweepers. The *chumars* (workers in leather) consider themselves much above the sweepers, but are nearly as much despised by the upper classes. Their part of the city is a place of foul odors, but the women have souls to be saved. They usually urge us to come again. In the sweeper quarters things are cleaner and the women are pleasanter, but it takes them a long time to understand the message well. What wonder?

ORPHANS ON THE UP GRADE.

MISS EMILY N. FORMAN of FUTTEHGURH in her annual report said:

Nearly a hundred girls were taken into our orphanage during the famine. It seemed for awhile as if there were no use in trying to teach them anything. Not a child among them knew a letter nor how to sew, and their education in obedience had gone no farther. If an order were given pleasantly there was obviously no necessity for obeying. If the teacher's patience were exhausted, a sullen, defiant look came into the child's face and the case was hopeless.

But a year's training has made great changes. They have learned that as meal time certainly brings plenty of food, it is unnecessary to steal wheat or raw vegetables. They frequently obey orders and a number have learned to read easy words. I give a daily Bible lesson to every class. The little children study Sunday-school lesson all the week, and by Sunday know it perfectly. Junior Christian Endeavor Society has forty members. The only trouble is that all forty insist on taking part every meeting. Twice, as a punishment for disobedience, C. E. was omitted. Never was a punishment more keenly felt!

While Mrs. Forman was away there was a case of typhoid fever and most of the nursing had to be left to the older girls. Once they decided the patient needed exercise and, supporting her on each side, walked her up and down the dormitory. On another occasion they washed her head. Still she pulled through.

MRS. HELEN MCINTOSH IRWIN lately wrote from VENGURLA, West India:

Since coming to Vengurla (about 250 miles south of Bombay and 85 miles south of Ratnagiri) we have had much encouragement in the work, Mr. Irwin in preaching and teaching and I giving out medicine, nursing, and telling the women about the living God whenever and wherever I have an opportunity, especially in my nurses' class. One of the inquirers is a young Brahman, who was formerly a Prathana Somajist and has suffered much persecution because of his intention to become a Christian and accept baptism. He was locked up in his room and, later on, excommunicated and turned out of his home.

My husband and I have done our daily work by having classes in the mornings and preaching and singing in the evening.

On Jan. 10 we started a seven weeks' tour in the districts making seven stations, our principal aim being to preach the gospel repeatedly in large towns, taking in small villages incidentally. On tour, I give out medicine to those who come to the tent and Mr. Irwin assists me and talks with the people about Christ as opportunity offers. At noon we study, write or rest, and in the afternoon Mr. Irwin receives any inquirers who may come, and in the evening we all—husband, catechist and self—join in preaching, singing and playing the organ at our tent, or go out to surrounding villages. In four places we had several apparently sincere inquirers.

There have never been any Bible-women at either Ratnagiri or Vengurla to help the other ladies and myself. There is only one ordained man (my husband) for the large district of 1,500,000 souls. We have many encouragements, though not yet in baptisms.

HOME DEPARTMENT

PROGRAMME FOR AUGUST MEETING. TOPIC—KOREA.

Prayer by Leader, for this meeting and for world-wide missions.

Reading of Scriptures which are fulfilled by Korean Missions.
Luke viii.: 8, Luke xiii.: 23, Rom. i.: 8, Rev. iii.: 7, 8.

Hymn (Favorite in Korea)—"Nothing but the blood of Jesus."

Reading of Korean statistics in Year Book.

Prayer for missionaries and converts in Korea.

Three Questions about Korea—five-minute answers. What is its natural aspect? What is its political standing? What is its religious outlook?

Book Review of "Korea and Its Neighbors," by Isabella Bird Bishop.

Ten items of recent news from our missions in Korea.

Read—(your choice)—from WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

Prayer for special trials, afflictions or needs of our missionaries.

Hymn.—"More reapers for white harvest fields."

BROOKLYN. (*Mrs. D. E.*) *Eva Waid.*

Systematic Study of Missions for Young People

LESSON X.—PRESBYTERIAN MISSION IN HAINAN.

Hainan.

This island is situated in the China Sea, just off the southern coast of China, and 250 miles southwest of the important seaport of Hong Kong. It is about 100 miles long by 150 broad in direct lines, and has a population of 1,500,000.

The People.

The Loi, the original inhabitants, occupy the hill country of the central portion and part of the northwest plain. There are also immigrants from Amoy, China, about 500 miles to the northeast; and a few Hakkas. The Loi are of fine physical appearance, very hospitable and mild-mannered toward foreigners. The tribes are governed by their chiefs, a few of whom recognize the authority of the Chinese Empire. They speak a language of their own.

The Beginning.

Protestant missionary work was begun on Hainan in 1881, by C. C. Jeremiassen, a Dane, who worked independently four years, and then joined the Canton Mission. He made a circuit of the island, "selling books and dispensing medicines." When, in 1885, our Board assumed charge of the work, the missionary's first duty was to baptize nine converts at Nodoa, nearly 90 miles inland.

Kiung Chow. 1885.

At the beginning one building was rented for mission purposes, including a hospital. Now 2 missionary residences, 3 chapels and the new permanent hospital are at Hoihow, on the coast, 3 miles from Kiung Chow. In addition to services in two places at Kiung Chow, two women of the mission maintain a school for children, and make house-to-house visitations among the women.

Nodoa. 1887.

This place was visited by an epidemic of fever that broke out among the soldiers in 1887, and Mr. Jeremiassen treated them so successfully that not one died. In return he was given a site and money for a hospital. Converts and pupils here are nearly all Hakkas. A small press is of material aid. A dispensary is maintained, and a permanent hospital has been erected. Itinerating is prosecuted from both stations.

In 1893 Hainan and the peninsula north of it were separated as a mission district from that of Canton. It represents 3 millions of people who worship no idols and are ready to accept the truth. Our Church is the only one laboring among them.

Carl I. Ingerson.

Hainan Mission—2 churches, 57 members—11 of whom added last year; 6 out-stations, 20 native assistants (5 licensed to preach), 4 schools, 2 hospitals which treated nearly 10,000 patients last year.

For map facts see WOMAN'S WORK, July, 1896; for history of the Mission see WOMAN'S WORK, July, 1894.

A DOZEN QUESTIONS FOR MISSIONARY MEETING.

[Answers may be found in the preceding pages.]

1. How long was Mrs. Laughlin's missionary life? What was one of her latest gratifications? What "nerved" her for country work? How many Chinese visitors had she last year? What was her heart's desire for this year?

2. What school last year cost us less than $5, and how could that be? Page 184. What broke up the school for 6 weeks? Page 193.

3. Name an interior town on Hainan where there is the nucleus of a church. Who constitute this nucleus? Page 185.

4. Summarize the facts about the new hospital in India? Pages 186, 187.

5. What are the principles of Wei Hien High School respecting style of living and cost to pupils? Pages 191, 192.

6. Where was a Reading-room opened last January? Mention an incident, pp. 190, 191.

7. What was the matter with Dr. Newton's patient and what remedies had been employed? Page 189.

8. Instance a bride's steadfastness at Urumiah. Page 194.

9. How is use of non-Christian teachers now regarded in the missions of India? [Arguments for and against.] Page 194.

10. Which is the larger, Ambala or Lodiana? Why was a Brahmin locked up? Page 195.

11. What was a severe punishment at the orphanage in Futtehgurh? Page 196.

12. What is the population of Ratnagiri district? Page 196.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY MEETING,

MAY 22, IN CONNECTION WITH THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Mrs. H. H. Forsyth, President of the Northwest Board, presided and after stating that the object of the meeting was "to gain spiritual power," asked us to join in the grand hymn, "Lead on, O King eternal." Mrs. Wm. H. Moore, wife of the permanent clerk of the General Assembly, read that chapter in Isaiah which, as she explained, "promises faith, humility and success to all believers," "Ho! every one that thirsteth." Prayer followed by Mrs. Van Cleve, a mother in Israel, of Minnesota.

Mrs. S. E. Williams extended a gracious welcome from the people of Minneapolis to all guests of the meeting, especially to missionaries present. The presence of Christ would be the crowning joy of the meeting. She presented to the president a gavel of mahogany from Cuba with the wish that "every tap might represent a missionary prepared for foreign fields." Mrs. Forsyth expressed the thanks of the visiting ladies for the generous hospitality extended and Mrs. Wallace sang "In Heavenly Love Abiding." Messages from the several Woman's Boards were given.

Mrs. Moore, representing the Philadelphia society, brought word of the happiness of the Annual Meeting at Pittsburgh, the enthusiasm, communion, and prayer, and gave us their watchword for the coming year: "Holding forth the word of life."

Mrs. Yeisley reported the Northern New York society to be small but well organized, with an increase in offerings of $230, and an additional missionary. Her message was, "I will not offer to the Lord that which costs me nothing."

The keynote of the Southwest Board, as expressed at the Topeka Annual Meeting, was "Praise." Mrs. Hume reported one missionary added to their list of nineteen, and general progress in spite of the hindrances of great distances and a changing population.

Mrs. Little, from the North Pacific Board, spoke of the Annual Meeting and encouragement resulting from it.

The Board of the Northwest was represented by Mrs. Greenman, who told us particularly of work among the young people, and the nineteen missionaries supported by them. They believe that "he who wants the kingdom of God must work for it" and also pray for it. Their motto is, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Mrs. Geo. S. Hays, taking for her text "By their fruits ye shall know them," told of some of the fruits of heathendom and of Christianity in China. A mustard plaster applied to her nurse-maid in allopathic doses helped to free her from the "devil" of anger. Ancestor worship and wailing for the dead suggest the position of women in China. Through countless ages they go the round from a woman to a pig, from a pig to a woman. One poor woman touchingly said, "Who knows? nothing can be worse than our own life." Among the fruits of Christianity is the desire, even among old women, to unbind the feet, that they may become "unbound Christians."

"Missionary Income" was the subject

of Mrs. McCrea's address. The method employed in her own church was recommended. Each woman is visited annually and invited to subscribe to the work of Home and Foreign Missions and to the Contingent Fund. Thus each is given a personal opportunity to help, or refuse to help, in God's work.

Promptly at two o'clock a large audience joined in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Mrs. Gilson of Pittsburgh, using as her text "Knowledge is Power," urged more constant use and persistent circulation of the magazines WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN and *Over Sea and Land.* With a thorough knowledge of these magazines the secular papers will be found to be full of the coming of Christ's kingdom.

Mrs. S. C. Peoples began by saying that for ten years she had not been so delightfully cool, nor so warmly received into hearts and homes. Simply and touchingly she gave us glimpses of the trials and triumphs of a missionary's life —of the cholera in Chieng Mai, when Dr. Peoples saved the lives of three out of four of the king's wives; of their meeting with Mr. Phraner on his way to hospital and his simple words, "Going to Heaven or to America, God knows;" of her own almost fatal illness and their sorrow at leaving Nan; of joy in the promise of a helper to return with them, made possible through the support of the Central Church of Minneapolis.

Miss Wheeler from the girls' boarding school at Saltillo, Mexico, had brought with her a graduate of the school who is now to become a teacher. This young girl sang for us sweetly in Spanish. Miss Etta Montgomery from Hainan gave a word of sympathy to those who must stay at home. Mrs. Cooper's baby girl, who stood on the table at her mother's side, held our attention as much as Mrs. Cooper, who spoke of her work in Siam. We waved a welcome to Mrs. Johnston as she stood for a moment on the platform, having been forbidden to speak to us. She went to Africa in '95, whence she was brought home partially paralyzed. She is so far recovered that in another year she hopes to follow her husband back to their work of teaching the Bulu "to walk the path to God's house."

Mrs. Peoples responded to the roll-call: "With God all things are possible."

Mrs. Arthur Ewing of India brought the message, "more prayer."

Miss Jennie Colman, sent to India by a pioneer Christian Endeavor Society in 1890, expressed her surprise to find so few at home giving to the Lord.

Mrs. Melrose, who, leaving two little boys in America, soon returns to Hainan, where she buried her husband, told of the progress of work begun on that island only fourteen years ago.

Miss Bissell, about to go to the Harriet House School in Siam, asked for the thoughts and prayers of the home people. Miss Mooman, a candidate "waiting" for money, emphasized the text, "To whom much is given, of him much will be required."

Dr. Arthur Brown led us in the closing prayer.

Mary Roberts Tooker.

WHAT THE HEATHEN DO FOR ME.

[One woman said, "No, I have nothing to give to Foreign Missions. I have been thinking this over, and I would like to have you tell me what the heathen have done for me."]

They keep me from living for self alone,
And just in a narrow groove;
They claim all the knowledge I've ever known
And all the skill and the love.

For how can I harden my selfish heart
With those helpless ones in doubt?
And how shall I sing my heaveniy part
If the heathen are left out?

Ah! when they accept the truth that they feel,
And honor God's sacred name,
They set an example of faith and zeal
Which I may follow with shame.

They deepen the channel where flow my prayers,
And kindle anew my praise;
They teach me to turn to the One who cares,
And plead with Him all my days.

Anna Stevens Reed.

Missionaries of the Presbyterian Church are invited to occupy rooms, free of expense, in the Cottage at Chautauqua, for two weeks in July or August. Address MRS. JULIA N. BERRY, Chautauqua, N. Y.

"Minnie's Seaside Rest," for missionaries on furlough, is at Old Orchard Beach, Maine, and will be open from July 1 to Sept. 1. The price of board is $4 a week. Address MRS. CHAS. GREEN, 1701 Park Ave., Baltimore, Md.

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Hanover, Indiana, celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary Sabbath evening, May 14. It was a very enjoyable occasion. After reports from the Light Bearers Mission Band and the treasurer, Miss Sturgus, the secretary read a sketch of the society from the beginning, showing its increasing usefulness. *Only three meetings have been omitted in the twenty-five years*, and the gifts of the last ten years are more than double those of the first ten. The first president of the society, Mrs. C. E. Coulter, made a short address, emphasizing the thought that we are not required to be successful, but to be faithful and obedient.

Miss Given of Jalandhar, India, was also present and spoke briefly of the progress of the gospel in that city in the last eight years. *Leila Garritt, Sec.*

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Claysville, Pa., Rev. Frank Fish, pastor, celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary March 4. The society was organized by Mrs. Alexander McCarrell. The history was given in four periods, telling what had been accomplished for missions and how, and giving tributes to departed members. Letters were read from missionaries and absent members. The treasurer's report showed that $3,072.26 had been given to the cause of missions since organization. The meeting was quite interesting and profitable and the society is in a prosperous condition, numbering over forty members. The "Silver Offering" was $30. *Secretary.*

TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF A PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY.

This was of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Washington, D. C., celebrated March 21, in the New York Avenue Church, Washington City, with marked success. There were a morning session and a popular meeting in the evening. A beautiful spring day was conducive to a full meeting, and representation from many suburban churches. The president, Mrs. J. N. Culbertson, who in her early womanhood went to Siam as a missionary, was responsible in large measure for formulating the delightful programme and carrying it through to a happy consummation.

The Scriptures were read by Mrs. Hodge, the first president of the society, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Laws, the fourth president. It was a happy circumstance that four of the five ladies who have presided over this society were present. A greeting from Mrs. Turner of the Philadelphia Society was read, also greetings were extended by two of our ex-presidents. Mrs. McKnight congratulated the women upon their ancestry—that they were "daughters of the Covenant,"—upon their tenacity of purpose and fidelity to the cause for which they labor. Mrs. F. L. Moore, for eighteen years the treasurer, tendered her felicitations in rhyme. Reminiscences of the twenty years were given by Mrs. O. B. Brown, recording secretary.

It was esteemed a great privilege to have Mrs. Rhea with us, upon this occasion, whose name, throughout the constituency of the Board of the Northwest, is a household word, who for many years was a missionary in Persia and through her daughter, Mrs. Wilson, is still scattering the pearls of the gospel in that land. She brought to us in her forcible, earnest diction, word-pictures of scenes, incidents of the transforming power of the gospel in human lives—truths that will not be easily effaced from memory. Mrs. Arthur Ewing brought greetings from India, and Miss Sarah Smith, from Japan, was introduced.

The society consists of 27 Auxiliaries, 19 Bands, and about 30 C.E. Societies; supports three missionaries and one medical student in the college at Philadelphia; also has a number of scholarships on the field. The anniversary offering was $220.43. Total for the twenty years $49,608.11.

The meeting in the evening was held in the auditorium of the church and presided over by Dr. Wallace Radcliffe. Dr. Sheldon Jackson offered prayer. Effective addresses were made by Mrs. Rhea and Rev. Arthur Ewing of India.

(*Mrs. O. B.*) *C. E. Brown.*

BOOKS RECEIVED.

Christian Missions and Social Progress. Vol. II. By Jas. S. Dennis, D.D. (Fleming H. Revell Company). 80 full-page ills. Price, each vol., $2.50.

This second volume of Dr. Dennis' great work is characterized by the same masterfulness as the first volume, which appeared last year. It is also pleasanter reading, as we are moved forward by it from study of the dark side to the brighter side of missions. One lecture, "The Dawn of a Sociological Era in Missions," covers about 100 pages. With the next, Lecture VI, Dr. Dennis reaches a truly congenial subject, viz.: "The Contribution of Christian Missions to Social Progress." This broad subject is surveyed under three divisions, "Results in Individual Character," in "Family Life," in "Philanthropy," each division being amplified under many heads. The subject is not then exhausted, but is to be continued in Vol. III, which will be out early in 1900.

The Story of Old. By Nellie Lathrop Helm. (The Editor Publishing Company, Cincinnati.)

This is one of many attractive books which have been written upon the foundation of the gospels. Unlike some of them, it takes no irreverent liberty with the record of the life of Jesus. It deals with events rather than teachings, and throughout there runs a refrain of sweet suggestion of what companionship with Jesus is. An example is (p. 104) where Miriam says, "I believe that Jesus knows without our telling Him." A book to be recommended for Sunday-school libraries.

The Cross Triumphant. By Florence Morse Kingsley, author of "*Titus*," &c. (Henry Altemus, Phila.) Price $1.00.

SINCE LAST MONTH.

ARRIVALS:

April 25.—At Vancouver, O. R. Avison, M.D., and family, from Seoul, Korea. Address at present, Smith's Falls, Ontario, Can.

April 28.—At San Francisco, Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Cunningham of Peking. Address, Danville, Ill.

Rev. F. S. Miller and family, from Seoul, Korea. Address, Y. M. C. A., Phila., Pa.

May 6.—At San Francisco, Rev. W. M. Baird and family, from Pyeng Yang, Korea. Address, Topeka, Kans.

Mrs. Jas. E. Adams, from Tagoo, Korea. Address, Topeka, Kans.

May 13.—At New York, Rev. J. B. Ely, wife and child. Address, New Athens, Ohio.

May 18.—At New York, Rev. H. D. Griswold and family, from Lahore, India. Address, Dryden, N. Y.

May 24.—At New York, Rev. Wm. Jessup and family, from Syria. Address, 126 Gates Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

May 24.—At New York, A. L. Bennett, M.D., wife and child, from Africa. Address, St. Ann, Ill.

May. 29.—At New York, Rev. T. T. Alexander, from Tokyo, Japan.

Rev. J. P. Graham, from W. India, to rejoin his family at Wooster, Ohio.

Mrs. Geo. H. Ferris, from W. India. Address, 6 Poplar St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

May 30.—At New York, Miss Florence E. Smith, from Colombia, S. A. Address, Clifton Springs, N. Y.

June 6.—At New York, Miss Patton, from Kolhapur, W. India. Address, Brooklyn, Mich.

June 12—At New York, Rev. Turner Brashear and family, from Tabriz, Persia. Address, Petersburg, Ind.

Wm. S. Vanneman, M.D., and family, from Tabriz, Persia. Address, Phila., Pa.

DEPARTURES:

June 9.—From San Francisco, J. B. Neal, M.D., returning to Chinanfu, China, leaving Mrs. Neal at Bloomsburg, Pa.

Miss Kate M. Youngman, returning to Tokyo, Japan.

MARRIAGES:

April 12.—At Lahore, India, Miss Sophie Constance Newton, daughter of Mrs. Sarah and the late John Newton, M.D., to Rev. Henry Forman of Futtehgurh.

April 30.—At Tabriz, Persia, Miss M. A. Demuth to Mr. L. S. Schermerhorn.

June 1.—At Seoul, Korea, Dr. Mary Alice Fish, daughter of Chas. H. Fish, San Rafael, Cal., to Rev. Samuel Austin Moffett, both of Pyeng Yang.

To the Auxiliaries.

[FOR ADDRESS OF EACH HEADQUARTERS AND LIST OF OFFICERS SEE THIRD PAGE OF COVER.]

From Philadelphia.

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Directors' meeting will be omitted during July, August and September, also the monthly prayer-meeting during July and August.

MIDSUMMER days are with us, but office work goes on as usual, and your orders will have prompt attention.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Society has perhaps already been received by the presidents of the respective departments of our work. Do not let them lie unopened or unread. Read, and then pass them to the officers of the Society or Band. Study the Treasurer's Report, and learn the expense of printing and mailing the report and perhaps you may value it more as you gain this knowledge.

The Duchess of Queensbury's Beefsteak Dumpling is the enticing title of a bright leaflet on the value of the magazines. Price 2 cts., 15 cts. per dozen.

Home Life in Hainan, price 2 cts. each. Although Hainan Mission is a part of the China missions, its distinctive home-life justifies issuing a separate leaflet.

From Chicago.

Meetings at Room 48 McCormick Block, 69 and 71 Dearborn St., every Friday at 10 A.M. Visitors welcome.

WITH the creation of the new office of Field Secretary of the Board of the Northwest, there will doubtless be more and more constant requests for visiting the societies throughout our territory and consequent growth in interest and membership.

THE Twenty-eighth *Annual Report* is being sent out to Synodical and Presbyterial officers as well as a copy "to the Secretary of each Auxiliary Society, *for the use of the Society.*" If used as intended, the societies will be able to answer many questions which they now ask by letter, and also will find great help in preparing for monthly meetings.

TWO years ago, we showed in our column in WOMAN'S WORK that, by the vows taken upon uniting with the church, each Presbyterian woman is a member of the missionary society. A letter has now been issued, to be sent with a pledge card, to every woman in the churches of the Northwest asking her to become a contributing member of the Board. There is also a card for treasurers, to notify delinquent subscribers. Each of these, five cents a hundred—fifteen cents for the three. (Of course it is understood that these prices are only for our own Northwest auxiliaries.) If every woman in our churches would give something each month, *in prayer as well as money,* there would be no holding back of candidates who are ready to go to the field and are so needed. Let all read and ponder upon the words in Malachi, iii: 8, 9, 10.

OUR Board has been grievously afflicted by the translation to the Home above of Mrs. J. H. Laughlin, who as Miss Jennie Anderson went to China in 1878. A week or more after the word of her death had come by cable, came one of her interesting letters. It was as a voice from the dead. Also Mrs. J. G. Wishard of Teheran, Persia, who went out a bride in 1893. No particulars have reached us—simply the bare cablegrams.

NEW LEAFLETS.—*The Duchess of Queensbury's Beefsteak Dumpling,* 2 cts. each, 15 cts. per doz. *Village Work in Korea,* 1 ct. each, 10 cts. per doz. *The Importance of a Secretary of Literature in a Local Society and Her Duties,* free to our auxiliaries. In sending for free leaflets or for a single copy, *always remember to enclose postage.* Address W. P. B. M., Room 48 McCormick Block, Chicago, Ill.

From New York.

The Wednesday meetings will be omitted during July, August and September. The rooms will be open all summer, except on Saturday afternoon. Send letters to Room 818, 156 Fifth Ave.

THIS month we welcome three new missionaries to our ranks, Miss Leonie Simar, under appointment for Africa; Miss Tolles, who is going to Beirût, Syria, and Miss Doubleday, who is to marry the Rev. C. W. Harris, appointed to the Lodiana Mission.

THE "Willing Workers" of the Church of the Covenant, New York City, have sent to Dr. Mary L. Burnham of Chinanfu, China, a much needed blackboard and chalks.

AT one of the conferences at Annual Meeting, it was suggested that at least one meeting in each auxiliary be devoted to the study of the Annual Report. Interest would be greatly increased by a thorough knowledge of the work and familiarity with the methods employed, which can be obtained only in this way.

THE Summer Appeal is in your hands. Remember that it rests with you as individual members of auxiliary societies whether these two missionaries shall be sent to the fields where they are so much needed. Send something in the little envelope to your treasurer by September 1st, that it may reach the treasurer of the Board by October 1st.

THE new leaflet for Bands and Jr. C. E. Societies is now ready and can be obtained by writing to your presbyterial secretary for Bands. Besides their work at Chinanfu and the salaries of Dr. Burnham and Mrs Johnson, the children are asked this year to build an addition to the Chinanfu Hospital and also a small house at Kribi, Africa, for the use of our Batanga missionaries when touring.

THE secretaries for foreign correspondence would suggest to auxiliary societies that they should share with us any letters that come to them direct from the foreign field, even as we, through the Bureau of Exchange for missionary letters, share with them what we receive. Address any such letters to Mrs. Anson P. Atterbury, 156 Fifth Ave., Room 818.

WOULD it not be well to borrow from a sister Board the idea of forming prayer circles in those churches which feel that they are too poor to support an auxiliary society? The women are gathered together for prayer and to read and study about missions. They are entitled to free literature and other privileges of auxiliaries, but the question of giving does not come into the plan. This can safely be left to the future.

From Northern New York.

THE Reports for the year which were sent out last month should, and we trust they will, be carefully studied and compared with that of last year. In this way, each year, the Societies and Bands can see whether they are advancing, or falling behind. We trust that those who find that the Treasurer's report shows that they fell behind in their receipts last year, will begin, at once, to plan an advance for this new year. At the beginning, not at the close, of the fiscal year, should we endeavor to enlist the co-operation of all the members of our Society and Band, as well as C. E. S., in an earnest, prayerful effort to do more than ever before to extend the knowledge of our Redeemer's kingdom to the farthest parts of the earth.

WE would commend most earnestly to our C. E. Societies the plan adopted by that of the Johnstown Church in spending a few minutes each day at the sunset hour in prayer for their own society, and for their missionary and his work. At this time, when the foundations of our missionary work in the Philippines are to

be laid, Mr. Rodgers needs specially to be remembered at the throne of grace.

WE feel sure that our Auxiliaries, C. E. Societies and Bands, will most cordially and heartily co-operate with the students of the Volunteer Band, who may during the summer visit the churches within our bounds in the interest of foreign missions. We would suggest that this work be specially remembered in our prayers, that God may abundantly bless their labors.

From St. Louis.

Meetings at 1516 Locust St., Room 21, the first and third Tuesdays of each month, at 10 A.M. Leaflets and missionary literature obtained by sending to above number. Visitors and friends cordially welcome.

MEETINGS of the Southwest Board for May felt the quickening influence of the larger meeting at Topeka, and we trust that may prove to be a fountain whence streams of consecrated effort shall flow through all societies there represented and all missions under the care of this Board.

As we think of the lad with five barley loaves and two small fishes given to Jesus with which he fed the hungry multitude, so do we remember that the same Divine power now works in this starved and perishing world and will multiply our gifts. The idolatrous hordes of China and the far East as well as the spiritual deserts of nominally Christian lands are to be won to Christ through apparently inadequate means *because* God is in them.

SOME changes have been made in the assignment of missionaries to supporting organizations. The First Church of St. Louis assumes the care of Miss Shaw, who will go out as the wife of Mr. Wm. Dager to Africa, and the Neosho Presbytery takes Miss Lane, who will go to the same country as the wife of Mr. Axtell. These four young people were present at the Annual Meeting and were greeted with heartiest Christian sympathy. If we have taken the hand and spoken eye to eye with those who count not their lives dear in going to that land of unknown dangers, surely we shall plead with a more personal interest that they may be kept in the hollow of God's hand. Dr. Browning, in connection with the school at Santiago, will be cared for by the young people of Kansas, and it is expected that the First Church of Wichita will support Mrs. Corbitt.

A BEQUEST of one hundred dollars will be applied toward a church in Pyeng Yang, Korea, which will be to us a memorial of Mrs. Moore of Carthage, Mo. In response to inquiries, the Board recommends the conduct of meetings in harmony with the country treated of in WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

ESPECIAL thanksgiving for deliverance from debt of both the Home and Foreign Boards was an inspiring keynote in all our prayers and meditations, and the Board of the Southwest holds on its way, glad in the Lord.

From San Francisco.

Meetings at 10 A.M. each Monday at 920 Sacramento Street. Business, first Monday in each month. Executive Committee, third Monday.

A series entitled, *Home Life in Lands not Christian*, has recently been added to our stock of leaflets. They furnish topics for every month in the year. May gives Siam and Laos; June, Africa—price, 2 cts., 15 cts. per dozen. *The Battle Cry of Missions*, a paraphrase on "The Battle Cry of Freedom," was written recently by Miss Lucy Grove, and sung by the C. E.'s at a large gathering.

THE C. E. State Convention has just been held at Oakland. Several thousand were present. In its appointments it seemed a miniature national convention. Booths, fine speakers, fine music and the presence of President Clark.

ONE afternoon was devoted to open parliaments, Miss M. L. Berry presiding over the parliament of missions held in the First Church, Dr. Coyle, pastor. Three of our new missionaries of the Occidental Board, viz.: Alfred Sharrocks, M. D., Miss Mary Ames, Maude Mackey, M. D., were present and spoke briefly.

AT the close of the Presbyterian rally held in the same church, which was filled to the doors, all the C. E.'s were invited to a banquet in the church parlors. At each plate was placed a souvenir from the Occidental Board, a leaflet bound in purple and gold, their State colors, giving a short sketch of our C. E. missionaries for the coming year.

A PLACE was made upon the programme for girls and children from the Mission Home. The former always sing and recite well, and the little ones are very attractive. Toong Ying (Margaret) and Ah On (Henry), orphans, (their dying mother gave them two names each), Yake Lon and Kum Lon all play each other's accompaniments on the piano except Henry who is too small, yet can sing a verse of the "Battle Cry of Freedom" and many other songs.

The Occidental Board will send out four missionaries soon, the three already named and Miss Nourse. Dr. Maude Mackey will be supported by the Los Angeles Presbytery.

LITTLE Kum Lon is naturally fearless. "The darkness and the light are alike" to her. The other children who occupy the nursery in the Home are great cowards and dare not take a step in the dimly lighted hall at night. So when one of the little souls is thirsty in the night she wakes Kum Lon to go with her to the bathroom. She was telling about this the other day and I asked if she liked to be waked. "Oh, no," she answered, "I feel drefful sleepy and hate to get up, but then I think Jesus wants us to be kind and so I go."

From Portland, Oregon.

Meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the First Presbyterian Church. Visitors welcome.

BEFORE these notes are in your hands, copies of the Annual Report will doubtless have been received. They are intended for use. We trust none of them will lie idle. If a sufficient number were not sent to your society a request for additional copies, accompanied by a two cent postage stamp for each, will receive prompt attention if sent to our new Secretary for Literature, Mrs. E. C. Protzman, 15 North Park St., Portland, Oregon.

WE have now taken up the duties of a new fiscal year. What shall its record be? At the first monthly meeting of the Board the keynote was found in the Scripture lesson: "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward." We hope, this year, to make an advance of at least 20 per cent. on last year's gifts. We are not limited, however, to this amount.

WE have heard that one young people's society is talking of sending out a missionary all by itself. We hope this is true and that others will follow its example. We will be glad at any time to receive communications on the subject.

AN item appeared in print, a short time since, concerning the pleasure which a woman has who serves the Lord twenty-four hours in the day: twelve hours in America and twelve—through her substitute—on the other side of the world. Our president has this great pleasure and there are others within the borders of our Board who might have it. Can we not help them to see their great privilege?

LET us emphasize this year, more than ever before, proportionate and systematic giving. If our young people form the habit of setting aside the Lord's tenth, while they are young and their income small, they will still have that habit when they are older and handle larger amounts.

EVEN small sums are not to be despised. If every Presbyterian woman in the territory of the North Pacific Board made a special offering of one cent a month, the result at the end of the year would be a sufficient amount to place a new missionary in the field with outfit, passage, freight, language teacher and salary for a year, all paid.

NEW AUXILIARIES AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

COLORADO.
Colorado Springs, 1st Ch., Band.
Monument.
Pueblo, Mesa Ch., Willing Workers.
Trinidad, Sunbeam Bd.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.
C.E.—Washington, Eastern, Intermediate; Peck Chapel (Jr.); Western (Jr.).

DELAWARE.
C.E.—Frankford; St. George's.

ILLINOIS.
Athens, Little Light Bearers.
Buckingham.
Greenview, Young Ladies.
Chicago, Christ's Chapel.
Gardner, re-org.
Harrisburg.
Lexington, Baby Band.
Mound Station, Lee Ch.
Sheldon.
Waynesville, Band.

INDIANA.
Brownstown.
Cicero.
Corydon, Young Ladies.
Frankfort, Prairie Centre Ch.
" Sugar Creek Ch., Bright Jewels.
Kokomo, re-org.
Lafayette, 1st Ch., Band.
Marion, Girls' Band.
Muncie, Westminster Ch.
New Albany, 1st Ch., Hearts Ease Bd.
Rockville, New Bethel Ch.
Rossville.

IOWA.
Grundy Centre, Band.
Leando, Chequest Ch.
Luverne.
Ottossen.
Paralta.
Plover.

KANSAS.
Harper.
Humboldt, Jr. C.E.

MARYLAND.
C.E.—Baltimore, Ridgely St.(Jr.); Port Deposit; Port Penn.

MICHIGAN.
Argentine.
Detroit, Immanuel Ch., Sunshine Bd.
St. Louis.
West Bay City, Westminster Ch., Young Woman's Soc.
" Westminster Ch., Buds of Promise.
" Westminster Ch., Sunbeam Circle.
White Pigeon, re-org.

MINNESOTA.
Beaver Creek.
Canton.
Duluth, 1st Ch., Bd.
Rushford.
St. Paul, Knox Ch., Boys', Knox Bd.
" Ninth Ch., Young Women.

MISSOURI.
Sedalia, Young Ladies.

MONTANA.
Kalispell.

NEBRASKA.
Farwell.
Genoa.
Gibbon.
Hubbell.
Litchfield.

NEW JERSEY.
Westfield, Pearl Seekers.
C.E.—Chatham; Cranford (Jr.); Hanover.

NEW YORK.
Akron.
Andover, Golden Rule Bd.
Belmont.
Dryden, "Soc. for Study."
Hobart, Rich Band.
Ithaca, Young Women's Circle.
New York, Phillips Ch., Young Ladies.
Otego, re-org.

OHIO.
C.E.—Bellaire, 2d; Bloomville (Jr.); Clarkson; Cleveland, E. Madison Ave. (Jr.); Concord; Frankford (Jr.); Homeworth; Lockland; *Massilon; Montpelier; W. Bethesda; Napoleon; *North Benton; North Springfield; Nottingham; *Rome; Warsaw; Weston; Waterville; Washington, East Side; Zanesville, Putnam Ch.

PENNSYLVANIA.
C. E.—Bellevue (Int.); Phila., Berean; Germantown, 2d; Wakefield; *Pottstown; Watsontown.
Phila., Central Ch., The Messengers.

WISCONSIN.
Crandon.
Neenah, Mite Box Circle.
Westfield.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from April 1, 1899.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS. * Thank offerings.]

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Amwell, 1st, 55, S.C.E., 10; Amwell United 1st, 18, S.C.E., 5; Amwell, 2d, 15, S.C.E., 5; Bound Brook, 10.50, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 1.50; Dayton, 17.57; Dutch Neck, S.C.E., 8; Ewing, 36.55, Bd., 30, S.C.E., 5; Flemington, 46.14, Gleaners, 50, S.C.E., 15, Copper Sale, Kuhl Bd., 6; Frenchtown, 57, S.C.E., 10; Hamilton Square, 10, S.C.E., 20, S.C.E. Jr., 3; Holland, 11; Hopewell, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 2; Kingston, 18, Cheerful Workers, 3.75, S.C.E., 5; Kirkpatrick, Mem'l, 7; Lambertville, 112.34, Ogilvie Bd., 22.10; Lawrence, 100, Gosman Bd., 38, Gosman Bd., Jr., 16, S.C.E., 10; Milford, 30; New Brunswick, 1st, 50, S.C.E., 12.50, S.C.E. Jr., 5; 2d Ch., 15; Pennington, 71, Anna Foster Bd., 25, S.C.E. Jr., 10; Princeton, 1st, 400, Y.W.B., 100; 2d Ch., 5, S.C.E., 35; Stockton, 18.25, S.C.E., 2; Stony Brook, S.C.E., 10; Titusville, 12, S.C.E., 5; Trenton, 1st, 125, Golden Hour Bd., 30, Chapel, 15, Bible Cl., 10.47, S.C.E., 37.50, S.C.E. Jr., 6; 2d Ch., 35, S.C.E., 15; 3d Ch., 120, Y.L.S., 20, S.C.E. Jr., 20, S.C.E., 12.50; 4th Ch., 173, Emily Bd., 20, Little Workers, 7, Y.L.S., 15, S.C.E., 10; 5th Ch., 28, Y.L.S., 25.25, S.C.E., 15; Bethany, 30.50; Prospect St. (*40.46), 70.46, S.C.E., 50, $2,493.88

NEW CASTLE.—Bridgeville, S.C.E., 4.30; Buckingham, 3.86; Chesapeake City, 20, What-We-Can Bd., 19, Ever Ready, 4, S.C.E., 21; Dover (*8), 42.66, S.C.E., 1.75; Delaware City, 17; Elkton, 96.81, Bd., 14, S.C.E., 2.50; Frankford, S.C.E., 1; Glasgow, 2; Green Hill, 14.65; Head of Christiana, 6; Lewes, 40.65; Manoken, 15, S.C.E., 1.28; Lower Brandywine, 20; Newark, 7, S.C.E., 6; Perryville, 10; Pitts' Creek, 20; Port Deposit, 7, S.C.E., 5, In mem. H. Catharine Houser, 25; Port Penn, 3, S.C.E., 1; Red Clay Creek, S.C.E., 9; Rehoboth, Del., 8.40; Rehoboth, Md., 7; Rock, 2; Smyrna, 8.50, S.C.E., 50 cts.; W. Nottingham, 9.50, Snowdrops, 5; White Clay Creek, 14; Wicomico, 13.12, S.C.E., 6; Wilmington, 1st, 16, Willing Workers, 1, Y.P.S., 7; Central, 3.50, For. Miss. Com., 12, S.C.E., 25; Hanover St., 48, S.C.E., 10; Olivet, 5; Rodney St., 41.41, Katharine Wallcs Bd., 30; West Ch., 50, Happy Workers, 14, A Class, 1, S.C.E., 11.20, S.C.E. Jr., 1.20; Zion, 20.62, Happy Harvesters, 3.75, S.C.E., 5, 838.74

NEW JERSEY SYNODICAL SOC., 50.00

NEWTON.—Andover, 3.70; Asbury, 7.25, S.C.E. Jr., 6; Belvidere, 1st, 37.65, Mrs. Albertson, 100, Mrs. Shipman, 15, Willing Workers, 39.11, Gleaners, 10, Primary Bd., 65 cts.,

S.C.E., 33 cts.; 2d, Paul Bd., 5, S.C.E., 3; Blairstown, 94.70, Kuhl Bd., 25, Blair Hall Bd., 12, Boys' Brigade, 21.25, S.C.E., 5; Bloomsbury, 30; Branchville, S.C.E., 10; Danville, 15.50; Deckertown, 29.48, S.C.E., 6.60; Delaware, 10, S.C.E., 3; Franklin Furnace, S.C.E., 5; Greenwich, 40; Hackettstown, 65, S.C.E. Jr., 10; Harmony, 11; Knowlton, 4; Lafayette, 6; Marksboro', 18; Musconetcong Valley, 4.72; Newton, 87.53, Watchers, 11, Byington Bd., 85, S.C.E., 12.11; Oxford, 1st, Bd., 2; 2d, 20, S.C.E., 7.50, Primary Cl., 4.12; Phillipsburg, 1st, 66.50, S.C.E., 5; Westm'r, 20.30, S.C.E., 8; Sparta, S.C.E., 6; Stanhope, 20, S.C.E., 2; Stewartsville, 20.58, Armor Bearers, 10, New Village Bd., 4; Stillwater, 5; Wantage, 1st, S.C.E., 2.50; Washington, 25, 1,090.19

NORTHUMBERLAND.—Muncy, S.C.E., 9.50; Shamokin, S. C.E. Jr., 3, 12.50

PARKERSBURG.—Buckhannon, S.C.E., 4; Charleston, 9.62; Parkersburg, Buds of Promise, 15; Sistersville, S.C.E., 5; Spencer, 5, 38.62

PHILADELPHIA.—1st Ch., 3, Geo. D. Baker Bd., 54.20; 2d, 215.27; 3d, May Blossoms, 5; 4th, 25; 9th, S.C.E., 10; 10th, Mrs. A. L. Massey, 100, S.C.E. Jr., 11; Arch St., King's Daughters, 31.12, Carrier Doves, 15, Y.P.S., 87.32, S.C.E., 26.26; Arch St. Chapel, Joy Bells, 30; Atonement, Myrtle, 10, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 11; Beacon, 16.67, Livingstone Bd., 8.61, S.C.E. Jr., 2.35; Bethany, 256; Bethesda, 63.37, A. M. Eva Bd., 90; Bethlehem, 239.71, Spring Violets, 13, Star of Bethlehem Bd., 15; Calvary, 10.15, Day Dawn Bd., 25, Otto Bd., 10, Peace and Prayer, 12.70, Allen Bd., 11.76; Central, 74.57, Laughlin Bd., 58.05, Girls', 25, Hope, 36, S.C.E., 71.39; Chambers-Wylie, 113.05, Mrs. Jackson's Cl. 4, 1055 Bd., 5.80; Cohocksink, 56.50, Wm. Greenough Bd., 18; Covenant, S.C.E., 5; Emmanuel, S.C.E., 25, S.C.E. Jr., 25; Evangel, S.C.E., 15; Greenway, S.C.E. Jr., 12.30; Harper Mem'l, 55; Hebron, 25; Hollond, 47, Y.L.B., 5, King's Messengers, 15, S.C.E., 15; Kensington, 1st, 53, S.C.E., 85, S.C.E. Jr., 5; McDowell, 47.30; Mutchmore Mem'l, 51.25, Mutchmore Bd., 7.50, Circle, 3.25, S.C.E., 10; Memorial Chapel, 10, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Northminster, 128.50, Primary Bd., 50; Olivet, 75, Graham Bd., 9, Jesus' Lambs, 20; Oxford, 60.45, S.C.E., 320, S.C.E. Jr., 30, F. S. Robbins Bd., 40, Teachers' Ass'n, 50, Guthrie Bd., 50, Y.L.B., 100; Patterson Mem'l, 2, Y.L.S., 5.40; Princeton, 411.59, Mary Henry Bd., 65, Princeton Bd., 7, Fullerton Bd., 30, Lookout Bd., 21.11, S.C.E. Jr., 5; South, Y.P.S., 40.30; Southwestern, S.C.E., 23; Tabernacle, Y.L.B., 55, Mrs. E. L. Linnard, 50; Tabor, 121, Little Helpers, 33, Messengers of Light, 25; Temple, 50, Workers, 20.88, Young Men's B. C., 37.50, S.C.E., 20; Tennent, Missionary Bees, 2.50; Tioga, 29, Little Givers, 9.50, Seek and Save, 4.50, S.C. E., 7.60; Trinity, 17.50, McCutcheon Bd., 15, Sunbeams, 7; Union Tabernacle, S.C.E., 30; Walnut St., 546.20, Whatsoever Bd., 10, Girls' Bd., 20, Workers, 6.50; West Green St., 48.50, Bethany Bd., 50; West Hope, 42, Berean Bd., 6.86; Westm'r, S.C.E., 16; West Park, 5.75; Woodland, 78.75, Woodland Bd., 21.92, Nelson Bd., 11.50, Dickson Bd., 11.34; Zion, German, Little Lights, 5; King's Daughters, 10; Int. on Deposits, 12, 6,382.95

PHILADELPHIA NORTH.—Abington, 56, Susan B. Smith Bd., 40; Ambler, S.C.E., 21; Ann Carmichael, S.C.E., 20; Ashbourne, 6; Bridesburg, 5; Bristol, 16.38, Basti Bd., 44.82, S.C.E., 3, S.C.E.Jr., 2; Chestnut Hill, 1st, 46, Inf. Cl., 2.50, S.C.E., 15; Trinity, 73, King's Daughters, 15; Conshohocken, 4.15, S.C.E., 10.83, S.C.E. Jr., 2.25; Disston Mem'l, 12; Doylestown, 37.50, S.C.E., 25; Falls of Schuylkill, 10, S.C.E., 4; Forestville, 3, S.C.E., 7; Fox Chase, S.C.E., 33.02; Frankford, 114, Y.L.B., 25, S.C.E., 16; Germantown, 1st, 200.28, Christian Work Club, 30, J. G. Patton Bd., 20, Eliot, Jr., 10, Senior Bd., 1, Constance Bd., 2.03, S.C.E., 17.40, S.C.E. Jr., 9; 2d Ch., 200, Tulpehocken Bd., 60, S.C.E., 25.45; Market Sq., 64.84; Summit, 24, Bd., 29; Wakefield, 29, Bd., 20, S.C.E., 30, S.C.E. Jr., 10, Class A, 26; West Side, 79.99, S.C. E., 5; Hermon, 22.45, Cheerful Workers, 25, Busy Bees, 5, Junior Brotherhood, 10, S.C.E., 15, S.C.E. Jr., 3; Holmesburg, 10; Jenkintown, 22.54, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Langhorn, S.C.E., 30, S.C.E.Jr., 10; Lawndale, 10, S.C.E., 11; Leverington, 13; Macalester Mem'l, 5; Manayunk, 16.50, Correspondence Circle, 6, S.C.E., 5; Morrisville, 30, S.C.E., 5; Mt. Airy, 52, Mrs. James Calhoun, 100; Narberth, 21.20, S.C.E., 18; Neshaminy of Warminster, 47.35, Ivyland, S.C.E., 5.25, Nicholas, S.C.E. Jr., 1; New Hope, 6.25, S.C.E., 8.26, S.C.E. Jr., 4.25; Newtown, 110.90, Kate Craven Bd., 15, L.L. Bearers, 9.52, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 10; Norristown, 1st, 65.45, S.C.E., 13.58, S.C.E. Jr., 3.29; Central, 20.46, W. Workers, 2, S.C.E., 4; Overbrook, 36.05, Y.P.S., 5.10; Pottstown, 62, Hill School Bd., 40, S.C.E., 15, S.C.E. Jr., 4.20; Reading, 1st, 34.25, S.C.E., 25, S.C.E. Jr., 10; Olivet, 37, S.C.E., 5; Thompson Mem'l, 35; Wissahickon, 12.50; Wissonoming, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Wyncote, S.C.E., 8; Friendship Circle, Bristol, 15; Offering from Shanghai, 14.17; Int. on Deposits, 3, 2,777.96

PITTSBURGH AND ALLEGHENY.—Allegheny, 1st, 390, Earnest Workers, 50; McClure Ave., 10; Westm'r, 6; Amity, S. C.E., 5; Avalon, S.C.E., 10; Beaver (*53), 63, S.C.E., 6; Bethany, 3; Bethlehem, 5; Bridgewater, 9; Cannonsburg, Central, S.C.E., 3.40; Centre, 26; Edgewood, 101.65, Dickinson Bd., 22.50, S.C.E.Jr., 7.50; Emsworth, 21.20, Little Branches, 7.50; Fairmount, 6; Glenfield, 7; Lebanon, 14.05; Leetsdale, 26.50; McDonald, 2; Monaca, 14; Oakdale, 2.75; Pittsburgh, 1st, 360.13, S.C.E., 25.71; 2d, S.C.E., 35; 4th, S.C.E., 15; 6th, 5; Bellefield, 6, King's Daughters, 5, S.C.E., 1; 43d St., 55.08, Y. P.S., 1; Homewood Ave., 2.50; Lawrenceville, S.C.E., 16.19; Park Ave., 30.80, Pauline Jamison's Fair, 10.75; Pt. Breeze, 3.56; Shady Side, Nassau Fem. Col., 20; South Side, 50, S.C. E., 10; Rochester, 15; Sharpsburg, Y.L.B., 4, Wheelock Bd., 10; Swissvale, 100, Fisher Bd., 40; Wilkinsburg, 7.50, Acorn Club, 1.85, 1,718.12

PORTSMOUTH.—Eckmansville, 12; Georgetown, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Ironton, 31.35, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 7.80; Jackson, 16.33, S.C.E., 5; Manchester, 1.10; Portsmouth, 1st, 40.35, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 4.15; 2d Ch., 1; Red Oak, 3; Ripley, 8, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E.Jr., 5; West Union, 20, 176.07

REDSTONE.—Belle Vernon, 20.05, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Brownsville, 40.75; Connellsville, 70.50; Dawson, S.C.E., 10; Dunbar, 35.64, S.C.E., 30.08; Dunlap's Creek, 21; Fairchance, 14; Fayette City, 9; Laurel Hill, 24.50; Little Redstone, Circle, 15, S.C.E., 13; Long Run, 29, S.C.E., 18; McKeesport, 1st, 195.85, Honor Circle, 20; Central, 44.27, S.C.E., 10, S.C.E. Jr., 6.45; Mt. Moriah, 8.98; Mt. Pleasant, 62.88, Y.P. Circle, 16, June Bd., 9.04; Reunion, 86.50, S.C.E., 18; Mt. Vernon, 23; Mt. Washington, 5; New Providence, 9.75, Ready Workers, 2.75, S.C.E., 10; New Salem, 7; Pleasant Unity, 17.30, S. C.E., 20; Rehoboth, 9.30, Ready Workers, 3, S.C.E., 12.50, Webster S.C.E., 2.50; Round Hill, 10, Elizabeth S.C.E., 10.50; Scottdale, 26.65, S.C.E. Jr., 35; Spring Hill Furnace, S.C.E., 5; Tent, 8; Uniontown, 1st, 25, Children's Bd., 5; Central, 8.35; West Newton, 39.04, S.C.E., 40, 1,178.13

ST. CLAIRSVILLE.—Bannock, 13.75; Barnesville, 16.29, Westm'r League, 15.95; Bellaire, 1st, 68.60; 2d, 36, Loring Bd., 15, S.C.E., 15; Bethel, 9; Buffalo, 42.73, Annie Dale Bd., 8.78, S.C.E., 5; Cadiz, 50, Earnest Workers, 75, S.C.E., 17.83, S.C. E., Jr., 27, Primary Cl., 1.20; Caldwell, 11.50; Cambridge, 62.42, S.C.E., 9.57; Coal Brook, Y.L.B., 2; Concord, 49.89; Crab Apple, 25.19, Gleaners, 12, S.C.E., 4; Farmington, 12; Freeport, 14.25, Golden Links, 6; Kirkwood, 101.50, Azalea Bd., 9.45, S.C.E., 6; Lore City, 15.80; Martin's Ferry, 87.37, Lilies of the Valley, 22.47, Chalfant Bd., 14.79, S.C.E., 2.50; Morristown, 4.50; Mt. Pleasant, 48.25, King's Messengers, 21, Gleaners, 15, S.C.E., 7.80, L.L. Bearers, 1; New Athens, 28, Y.L.B., 16; Nottingham, 17, S.C.E., 13.43; Pleasant Valley, 24.05; Powhatan, S.C.E., 4; Rock Hill, 7, S.C.E., 3; St. Clairsville, 56, S.C.E., 25; Senecaville, 10, S.C.E., 3.25; Short Creek, 22.50; Washington, 40.52, 1,253.13

SOUTH FLORIDA.—Kissimmee, 5, S.C.E., 3; Sorrento, S.C.E., 1, 9.00

SOUTHERN VIRGINIA.—Allen Mem'l, 1; Grace, 50 cts.; Nottaway C.H., Bethesda Bd., 1.75, 3.25

STEUBENVILLE.—Beech Spring, 6; Bethel, 30, Heart and Hand Bd., 5; Bethesda, 10; Brilliant, 17.05; Buchannan, 30.99, Corbett Bd., 8.12; Carrollton, 40; Corinth, 25; Cross Creek, 20.25, L.L. Bearers, 25 cts.; Dennison, 25.50, Willing Hands, 3.50; E. Liverpool, 1st, 194.20, Y.L.B., 35, Buds of Promise, 30; 2d Ch., 20; Harlem, 11.70; Hopedale, 27, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Irondale, 6, Island Creek, 35; Kilgore, 8; Long's Run, 9.25, S.C.E., 5; Monroeville, 23.34, Brigade, 8; New Philadelphia, 3; Oak Ridge, 7, Y.L.B., 6.10; Potter Chapel, 15; Richmond, 10.95; Ridge, 20.50; Salineville, 20; Scio, 28.75, Willing Workers, 4.30; Smithfield, 3.75, Y.P.S., 4, Willing Workers, 4.15; Steubenville, 1st, 31, Y.L.B., 69.50, Legacy, Miss Alice McDonald, 100; 2d, 146.10, Y.L.B., 94.01, S.C.E. Jr., 5; 3d, 38.32, Whatsoever Bd., 7.25, S.C.E., 7.50; Still Fork, 5; Toronto, 15.51; Two Ridges, 9.50; Uricksville, 31, Heart and Hand Bd., 25, Westm'r, 7; Waynesburg, 4; Wellsville, 1st, 93.28, S.C.E. Jr., 2; 2d, 14.29; Yellow Creek, 70.96, Wayside Gleaners, 43 cts.; Miscel., 13.35, 1,556.65

UNION.—Erin, 9; Hebron, 1; Hopewell, 4.75; Knoxville, 2d, 4.68, Y.L.B., 30, S.C.E., 6.41; 4th Ch., 11.08, Y.P.B., 17.32; Belle Ave., 3, S.C.E., 5; Mt. Zion, 5; New Market, 3.60; New Providence, 12; Rockford, 2.50; Shannondale, 13, Bd., 50 cts.; S. Knoxville, 6.75; Spring Place, 3.50, 139.09

WASHINGTON.—Allen Grove, 8.75; Burgettstown, 1st, 26.13, Golden Chain Bd., 30, S.C.E., 15; Westm'r, 18.50, Aftermath Bd., 10; Claysville (*10), 86.20, S.C.E., 7.01; Cove, 16.20, Girls' Bd., 21; Cameron, 21.50; Cross Creek, 30; Cross Roads, 17; E. Buffalo, 60.25; Fairview, 5, Two Ladies, 3, S.C.E., 3, S.C.E. Jr., 8; Forks of Wheeling, 71, Bessie Shaw, Mt. Zion Div., 13, Elm Grove Div., 10, Excelsior Bd., 20; Frankfort, 13.75; Hookstown, 13; Lower Buffalo, 33.40; Lower Ten Mile, 11; Mill Creek, 38.46; Mt. Prospect, 63, S.C.E., 30; New Cumberland, 67.68, Grier Bd., 19, Myrtle Bd., 1.66; Pigeon Creek, 26, Y.L.B., 11.30; Unity, 5; Upper Buffalo, 18, China Bd., 15; Upper Ten Mile, 22.40; Washington, 1st (*10), 105, Cornes Bd., 25, S.C.E., 30, Brownson S.C.E. Jr., 16.23; 2d Ch. (*51.75), 88.19, Non Nobis Bd. (*9.33), 44.97, Pansy Bd. (*10), 28.12, Girls' Gleaners (*20), 29.73, Boys' Gleaners, 8.22, S.C.E., 15; 3d Ch., Y.L.B. (*18.56), 42.55, Sunbeams, 3.50, S.C.E., 27; Wash'n Fem. Sem., Carleton Bd., 15; Waynesburg, 50.30; Wellsburg (*26.05), 45.86, Glad Tidings, 10.55, S.C.E., 16; W. Alexander, *38, A Friend, 5, Loring Bd. (*9), 49, Hold the Fort, 9, Westm'r League, 10; W. Liberty, 30, Cunningham Bd., 3, S.C.E., 2; W. Union, 7, S.C.E., 6; Wheeling, 1st (*65.30), 211.54, Syrian and Sunshine Bds., 60, Bessie Vance Mem'l, 50, Cherith, 26.55; 2d Ch., 60, Carleton Circle, 50; 3d, 43; Vance Mem'l, 65; Three Ladies, 58; Friends, add'l, 124.80, 2,398.30

WASHINGTON CITY.—1st Ch., Legacy Mrs. Mildred C. Frost, dec'd, 100; N. York Ave., Bethany, S.C.E., 15.28, 115.28

WELLSBORO'.—Coudersport, 3.50, S.C.E., 2.50, S.C.E. Jr., 50 cts.; Elkland, 6.15; Mansfield, 4.70; Wellsboro', 15, 32.35

WEST JERSEY.—Atlantic City, 1st, 22.55, S.C.E., 12.50, S. C.E. Jr., 10; Blackwood, 56, S.C.E., 1; Bridgeton, 1st, 45.12, Primrose Club, 15; 2d Ch., 106.33; 4th, S.C.E. Jr., 1; West, 105; Camden, 1st, 44.16, S.C.E., 5; Calvary, 5, S.C.E., 2, S. C.E. Jr., 5; Cape May, 28, S.C.E., 18.40; Cedarville, 14; Clayton, 27.65, S.C.E., 6; Cold Spring, 7.50, S.C.E., 5; Deerfield, 50; Elmer, 7.87; Glassborough, 10; Gloucester, 20; Greenwich, 65, Willing Workers, 7; Haddonfield, 35; Hammonton, 4.83; May's Landing, 7.50; Merchantville, 6.44; Millville, 33.28, S.C.E. Jr., 2; Pittsgrove, 32.55, Y.L.B., 39.25, Golden Links, 26, Earnest Workers, 20, S.C.E. Jr., 1.50; Salem, 58.77, Young Gleaners, 14, S.C.E., 2; Vineland, 20; Wenonah, Forget-me-not Bd., 75, S.C.E., 10; Williamstown, S.C.E., 8, S.C. E. Jr., 6; Woodstown, 18.10, S.C.E., 10, 1,132.30

WESTMINSTER.—Belleyne, 25, Bd., 15; Cedar Grove, 5.27; Center, 70; Chanceford, 22; Chestnut Level, 14.75; Columbia, 130, S.C.E., 12.50; Hopewell, 20, S.C.E., 11.50; Lancaster, 1st, 60, S.C.E. Jr., 25; Mem'l, S.C.E., 9.22; Leacock, 20; Little Britain, 12.50; Marietta, 44.36, S.C.E., 12.95; New Harmony, 15, S.C.E., 14; Pequea, 23, S.C.E., 4.85, S.C.E. Jr., 1.72; Pine Grove, 40; Slate Ridge, 12.75, S.C.E., 5; Slateville, 37.75, S.C.E., 5; Stewartstown, 26.40; Union, 33, S.C.E., 10; Wrightsville, 14, S.C.E., 5; York, 1st, 236.45, S.C.E., 54.40, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Calvary, 12.50; Westm'r, 20; Contingent Fund, 10, 1,095.87

WOOSTER.—Apple Creek, 9.50; Ashland, 27.25; Bellville, 6.35; Congress, 20; Creston, 17.03; Doylestown, 5; Fredericksburg, 19.61, Margaretta Bd., 7.50; Hayesville, 12.27; Hopewell, 4, Holcomb Bd., 13; Jackson, 9.50; Lexington, 7.30; Londonville, 13; Mansfield, 31.50, S.C.E., 30, S.C.E. Jr., 3; Nashville, 10; Orange, 26; Orrville, 4.40, Anna D. Shields Bd., 6; Perrysville, 93 cts.; Plymouth, 6.41; Savannah, 18.25, Lexington Bd., 23, Pearl Seekers, 5.75; Shelby, 4, S.C.E., 5; Shreve, 22.51; Wayne, 33.95; West Salem, 9.15, Helpers, 1.50; Wooster, 1st, 93.21, Y.L.S., 85, S.C.E., 17.65; Westm'r, 192.70, Y.L.B., 9.80, S.C.E., 5; Pres. Soc., 30, 846.02

ZANESVILLE.—Brinkhaven, S.C.E., 1; Brownsville, 16.50, S.C.E., 5; Clarks, 14; Coshocton, 28.25, Y.L.B., 27.73, Cary Bd., 21.50, Little Workers, 2; Dresden, 26.75, S.C.E. Jr., 2; Duncan's Falls, 7.30; Frazeysburg, 15; Fredericktown, 5, Y. P. Aid, 15.50; Granville, 21.32; Hanover, 5, S.C.E., 1; High Hill, 10; Jersey, 10; Keene, 10; Madison, 13; Martinsburg, S.C.E., 3; Mt. Vernon, 116.72, S.C.E., 6.57, Girls' Bd., 90 cts.; Mt. Zion, 10; Newark, 1st, 1, Y.L.B., 5.50; 2d Ch., 28, Y.P.B., 19, Bd., 9.60; New Concord, 20.10, S.C.E. Jr., 4; Norwich, Circle, 17.10; Pataskala, 12, S.C.E., 2.50, S.C.E. Jr., 2; Utica, 22.05. Golden Circle, 3, S.C.E., 2.35; Warsaw, S.C.E., 50 cts.; West Carlisle, 6.62, S.C.E., 5; Zanesville, 1st, 10, Y. P., 3.40, Azalea Bd., 10, Kellogg Bd., 18; 2d Ch., 66.75; Brighton, 3.23, S.C.E., 3.18; Putnam, 16.61, 686.53

MISCELLANEOUS.—Macon, Ga., Ballard Normal Inst., 3.86; Phila., Miss Thomas, 5; M. T., 5,000; Transferred from leaflet account, 300; Int. on Investments, 164.34, 5,473.20

Total for April, 1899,	$60,706.39
Total for year,	$153,741.28

RECEIPTS FROM MAY 1, 1899.

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore, 1st, 50; Canton, S.C.E., 1.50, 51.50

CHESTER.—Berwyn, S.C.E., 3.00

HUNTINGDON.—Lower Tuscarora, S.C.E., 12.50

JERSEY CITY.—Jersey City, Westm'r, S.C.E., 15.00

LACKAWANNA.—Ashley, S.C.E., 5.17; Scranton, Washburn St., S.C.E., 21.09; Silver Lake, S.C.E., 6.25; Tunkhannock, S.C.E., 20; Wilkes-Barre, Grant St., S.C.E. Jr., 5, 57.51

LEHIGH.—White Haven, 20.00

MONMOUTH.—Beverly, S.C.E. Jr., 5.01; Long Branch, S. C.E., 10, 15.01

NORTHUMBERLAND.—Berwick, S.C.E., .93

PARKERSBURG.—Parkersburg, Buds of Promise, 10.00

PHILADELPHIA.—Bethlehem, S.C.E., 21.60; Evangel, S.C. E. Jr., 5; Richmond, S.C.E., 5; M. T., 540, 571.60

PHILADELPHIA NORTH.—Ashbourne, S.C.E., 10.00

PITTSBURGH AND ALLEGHENY.—Pittsburgh, Park, Gleaners, 47, Pansy Bd., 24.08, L.L. Bearers, 6.11 (for last year), 77.19

SHENANGO.—Moravia, S.C.E., 2.00

UNION.—Knoxville, 2d, S.C.E., 11.80; 4th Ch., S.C.E., 7, 18.80

WEST JERSEY.—Atlantic City, S.C.E., 5; Blackwood, S.C. E., 27.05, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Wenonah, S.C.E., 20, 53.05

MISCELLANEOUS.—Lancaster, Pa., Mrs. C. C. Evans, 625; Phila., Cash, 5, Cash, 5; Tolono, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Salisbury, 270; refunded, 17, 922.00

Total for May, 1899,	$1,840.09

MRS. JULIA M. FISHBURN, *Treas.*,
501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

June 1, 1899.

The Redstone Presbyterial Soc. has sent a box to Mrs. Denman, Laos, valued at $137.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest to April 20, 1899.

GRAND RAPIDS.—Big Rapids, 2; Evart, 4.39, C.E., 10; Grand Haven, 29.11; Grand Rapids, 1st, 12.34, C.E., 5, Jr.C. E., 1; Westm'r Ch., 26.50, C.E., 8.75, Y.W.S., 2.50, Jr. C.E., 3.54; 3d, 5, C.E., 2.50; Immanuel Ch., 1.50, C.E., 7; Ionia, 8.91, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Ludington, 10; Montague, C.E., 4.50; Spring Lake, 1, 146.04

GUNNISON.—Grand Junction, 6.75; Ouray, 10; Salida, 2.50, Gunnison, Tabernacle Ch., Jr. C.E., 10, 29.25

HASTINGS.—Aurora, C.E., 10.50; Ayr, Mrs. R.E. Fleming, 2; Beaver City, C.E., 4.54; Edgar C.E., 5.83, Junior C.E., 5; Hansen, 5.70; Hastings, 6.85, C.E., 2.50; Holdredge, 6.08; Nelson, 5.40, C.E., 13; Superior, C.E., 4, 71.40

HELENA.—Bozeman, C.E., 15; Helena, C.E., 1.85, 16.85

INDIANAPOLIS.—Bloomington, 8.57; Brazil, 13.26; Columbus, 25.30; Franklin, 47.50, C.E., 15, Jr. C.E., 10; Greenwood, 7.50; Hopewell, Ch., 26.07; Greenfield, 21.60; Greencastle, 22.98; Indianapolis, 1st, 177.85, C.E., 20; 2d, 100, King's Daughters, 15, Y.W.S., 56, Mr. Wm. S. Hubbard, 231.25; 4th, 44.11, Picketts, 6.30; 6th, 13.03; 7th. 40; Annabette Wishard Soc., 80; E. Washington St. Ch., 2.50; Tabernacle Ch., 275.22, Mary Fulton Soc., 6.68; Mem'l Ch., 34.53, C.E., 20.70; Olive St. Ch., 2.75; Spencer, 7, C.E., 3; Southport, 20.60; Whiteland, 15, 1,369.30

IOWA.—Bloomfield, 12.18, C.E., 3; Burlington, 1st, 61.76; King's Children, 12.53; Hope Ch., 50 cts.; Chequest, 2.02; Fairfield, 79.67, C.E., 12.05, Jr. C.E., 1; Ft. Madison, 40, C.E., 5; Keokuk, Westm'r Ch., 62.30, C.E., 10; 2d, 3; Libertyville, 5.28; Martinsburg, C.E., 2; Middletown, 4; Morning Sun, 55, C.E., 10; Ottumwa, Jr. C.E., 5, 386.29

IOWA CITY.—Atalissa, C.E., 1.85; Brooklyn, 14.20, C.E., 5.50; Columbus Junction, 16, C.E., 5; Crawfordsville, 5.50; Davenport, 1st, 23; 2d, 13; Deep River, 1; Evergreen, C.E., 5; Iowa City, 55; Scott Ch., 8.60; Unity Ch., 5; Keota, Y.L. S., 5; Malcom, 5, C.E., 3; Marengo, 12.20, C.E., 1.20; Montezuma, 17.25; Muscatine, 35, Mrs. Robertson, Th. Off., 10, Jr. C.E., 5; Sigourney, 6; Tipton, 11.50, Jr. C.E., 4.25; Red Oak Grove Ch., 6; Washington, 78.80, C.E., 5; Bethel Ch., 2.50; West Branch, 16.50; West Liberty, 29.63; Williamsburg, 15, Jr. C.E., 3; Wilton, 40, 471.81

KALAMAZOO.—Benton Harbor, 4.90; Buchanan, 2.50; Decatur, 5, C.E., 4.50; Kalamazoo, 1st, 49.80, Bequest, 200, C.E., 12; Martin, 2.25; Niles, 3.35; Paw Paw, 10.64, C.E., 1.95; Plainwell, 4.75, C.E., 5; Richland, 4.80, C.E., 2; Sturgis, 4.50; Schoolcraft, 75 cts.; Three Rivers, 8.50, C.E., 4, 331.19

KEARNEY.—Ashton, C.E., 2; Buffalo Grove, C.E., 4.50; Central City, 23, C.E., 12.50, Jr. C.E., 10; Fullerton, 6.76, C. E., 2.20, Jr. C.E., 2; Gibbon, 4, C.E., 2, Jr. C.E., 50 cts., Grand Island, 7, C.E., 25; Kearney, 7.23; Lexington, 1.50, C. E., 14, Jr. C.E., 5; Litchfield, 5, Jr. C.E., 10; North Platte, 9.70, C.E., 6.50, Jr. C.E., 7; St. Paul, 8; Shelton, C.E., 73 cts.; Jr. C.E., 1; Wood River, 40 cts., C.E., 13; Cozad, 2.50, 193.02

KENDALL.—Idaho Springs, 1.50; Lago, 1; Malad City, 4, 6.50

LA CROSSE.—Decora Prairie, C.E., 5.17; Galesville, 7.20; La Crosse, 40, C.E., 21.50; New Amsterdam, 8; Sechlerville, C.E., 3; W. Salem, 25, C.E., 10, 119.87

LAKE SUPERIOR.—Escanaba, 9, C.E., 3; Gladstone, Bd., 5; Ishpeming, 31.65, C.E., 6.67, Jr. C.E., 2; Manistique, 15, C.E., 15, Jr. C.E., 10; Marquette, 5; Menominee, 30; Negaunee, 2.66; Sault Ste Marie, 30; Detour, C.E., 1.25; Ford River, C.E., 10, 176.23

LANSING.—Albion, 50, Mrs. Alice Johnson, 5.70, C.E., 3.71, Jr. C.E., 4.30; Battle Creek, 25, C.E., 10; Brooklyn, 21.75; Concord, 11.48; Eckford, C.E., 7; Hastings, 6.15; Homer, 24.75, C.E., 22.75; Jackson, 25.77, C.E., 17.86, Geo. Chessould, 5, Otto Schneider, 5, Miss Bertha C. Bellows, 7.85, Miss Esther Whendon, 5; Lansing, 1st, 34.95, C.E., 14.63; Franklin St. Ch., 28.50, C.E., 20; Mason, 31.50, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 5, Jennie Van Ostrand Mem'l, 23; Marshall, 39.46; Mrs. Haskell's Cl., 35, C.E., 4.21; Parma, 5; Teconsha, C.E., 2.75, 508.07

LOGANSPORT.—Bethlehem, 3; Bourbon, 1.80; Brookston, 4.10; Crown Point, 16.85; Concord, 5.85, C. E., 1; Goodland, 3.44; Hebron, 2.50; Hammond, 3.75; Kentland, 5; LaPorte, 8; Lowell, Lake Prairie Ch., 3.60, Little Helpers, 66 cts.; Logansport 1st, 54, C.E., 8, Y.L.B., 10; Broadway Ch., 20; Mrs. Isaac N. Crawford, 6.25; Union Ch., 20.75; Lake Cicott, Pisgah Ch., 2.02; Mishawaka, 10, C.E., 25, Jr. C.E., 3; Michigan City, 1.40; Monticello, 15; C.E., 3.04; Monon, 2.33; Odessa, Meadow Lake Ch., 3; Remington, 2.64; Rensselaer, 4.24; Rochester, 6; South Bend, 30.70, C.E., 71; Valparaiso, 24; Personal, 10; Winona C.E., 50 cts., 392.42

MADISON.—Baraboo, Mrs. C. L. Richards, 5, C.E., 5.75; Belleville, 2.50; Janesville, 39, C.E., 3; Kilbourn, 5, C.E., 15; Lima, 9; Lodi, 21.11; Madison, 29.09; Oregon, 7; Poynette, 10; Portage, 8; Reedsburg, 10, C.E., 2.36; Rocky Run, 6.55; Richland Center, 4.75; C.E., 2.50, 185.61

MANKATO.—Amboy, 2; Amiret, 2.50; Blue Earth, 21, C.E., 22; Beaver Creek, 3; Delhi, 8; Jackson, 15.20, Jr. C.E., 4.25; Kasota, 11, C.E., 95 cts.; Lake Crystal, 4, C.E., 5.33; Le Sueur, 15.55, C.E., 5.50; Morgan, C. E., 2; Luverne, 5.50; Mankato, 9.65, Jr. C.E., 5; Hope Chapel, C.E., 3.50; Mar-

shall, 9.47, S.S., 1.03; Pilot Grove, 10; Pipestone, 2, C.E., 5; Rushmore, 9, C.E., 6; St. Peter, 22.48; St. James, Mrs. Morris, 2; Slayton, 90 cts.; Tracy, 18.50; Wells, 10, C. E., 3.66; Woodstock, C.E., 75 cts.; Windom, 5; Winnebago, 26.05; Worthington, 60.82, C.E., 15.04; Busy Bees, 50, 403.63

MATTOON—Assumption, C.E., 1; Casey, C.E., 1; Moweaqua, 2; Neoga, 5.27; Palestine, C.E., 5; Pana, Mem'l, 6.25; Pleasant Prairie, C.E., 2; Pbyl. Off., 46.87, 69.39

MILWAUKEE.—Dousman, Ottawa Ch., 2.63, Mrs. E. T. Stewart, Th. Off., 2, C.E., 2; Milwaukee, Bethany Ch., C.E., 7; Calvary Ch., C.E., 1.60; Grace Ch., 11.83, Merry Working Bd., 1.67; Immanuel Ch. Miss. Workers' Bd., 50; Racine, 5, C.E., 15; Somers, C.E., 7.85; Waukesha, C.E., 5, 111.58

MINNEAPOLIS.—Buffalo, 23.75, C.E., 2.50; Howard Lake, 5; Maple Plain, 10.60, C.E., 2.58, Willing Workers Bd., 50 cts.; Minneapolis, Andrew Ch., 53, King's Daughters, 40, Jr. C.E., 2.50; Bethany Ch., 3.91, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 2.75; Bethlehem Ch., 54.50, C.E., 25, Jr. C.E., 10; Elim Ch., 1.75; 1st, 61.85, Jr. C.E., 2.75, Merry Gleaners, 17.60; 5th, 8.22, Wide Awake Bd., 50 cts.; Franklin Ave. Ch., 9.35; Grace Ch., 6.79, C.E., 5; Highland Pk. Ch., 15.19, King's Messengers, 11, Sunshine Bd., 1.50; House of Faith Ch., 10; Oliver Ch., 4.93, Y.L.S., 10, Y.P.S., 10, Jr. C.E., 1; Shiloh Ch., 10, Caldwell Bd., 1.20; Stewart Mem'l Ch., 37.85, Gleaners, 7.25, C.E., 7.20, Mary Bradford Bd., 4.55, Y.L.S., 23.69; Westm'r Ch., 408.28, Daughters of the King, 6.15, Y.W.S., 105, Chinese Cl., 52.50, Gleaners, 25, C.E., 15, Jr. C.E., 3, Pearl Gatherers, 15; Riverside Mission, Y.W.S., 24, 1,164.69

MONROE—Adrian, 30, C.E., 67.50; California, 5; Clayton, C.E., 2; Coldwater, 15, Y.L.S., 4; Erie, 7.24; Hillsdale, 13.95; Holloway, Raisin Ch., 4; Jonesville, 5, C.E., 6.25; Lasalle, C.E., 5; Monroe, 23.80, C.E., 9.75, L.M.C., 10; Palmyra, Y.L.S., 13; Quincy, 5; Reading, 10.22, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 50 cts.; Tecumseh, 19, C.E., 16; Miss E. C. S., 30 cts., 277.51

MUNCIE.—Anderson, 19, C.E., 6; Alexandria, 5; Converse, Xenia Ch., 5; Cicero, 13.50; Elwood, 6.25; Hartford City, 17.70; Jonesboro and Gas City, 10; La Gro, 1; Marion, 50, Girls' Bd., 5; Muncie, 109, C.E., 3.50, Westm'r Chapel, 2.57; Noblesville, 6.50; Peru, 63; Gidcon's Bd., 1.35, C.E., 4.20; Portland, 16.20; Tipton, 20; Wabash, 78.50; Winchester, 4, 447.27

NEBRASKA CITY.—Adams, 10.80, C.E., 10; Alexandria, 1; Auburn, 2.24, C.E., 7.22; Beatrice, 1st, 50; 2d, 2.30; Diller, 1.40; Fairbury, 9.83; Fairmount, 2.60; Falls City, 1.88, C.E., 3.80; Gresham, 1.45; Hebron, 9.72, C.E., 5; Hubbell, 90 cts.; Humboldt, 8.68; Liberty, 1.75; Lincoln, 1st, 73.40, C.E., 23.05; 2d, 11.22; 3d, 6; Nebraska City, 10; Palmyra, 13.40, C.E., 6.67; Pawnee City, C.E., 32.70, Jr. C.E., 1.72; Pawnee County W. Branch, C.E., 8.40; Plattsmouth, 11.60, C.E., 3.27; Staplehurst, 3.39; Seward, 6.60, C.E., 75 cts.; Stoddard, 2; Table Rock, 1; Tamora, 90 cts.; Tecumseh, 15.10, C.E., 12.50, Jr. C.E., 2.50; York, 4, C.E., 35, Jr. C.E., 10.25, Inter. C.E., 10.25; Fairbury, C.E., 10. 448 24

NEW ALBANY.—Bedford, 21; Brownstown, 1, C.E., 1; Charlestown, 5.95; Corydon, 19.95, Easter Offering, Bd., 3.78; Hanover, 37.90; Light Bearers, 8.10; Pleasant, 3; Jeffersonville, 47.25; Madison, 1st, 31.25, C.E., 10, Y.L.B., 41.50; 2d, 10; Mitchell, 13.55; New Albany, 1st, 396.60; 2d, 49.51, C.E., 3.25; 3d, 20.40, C.E., 5.40; N. Vernon, 11; Orleans, 8; Owen Creek, 4.25; Otisco, 5; Paoli, 2.30, C.E., 5.13; Salem, 8.55; Seymour, Evangel Bd., 30; Scipio, 7; Vernon, 12.50, Annie Fink Bd., 8.31; Vevay, 4.13 (less 10 returned for Home Missions from July receipts), 826.56

NIOBRARA.—Coleridge, 40 cts.; Emerson, 2, C.E., 4.45; Hartington, 3.96; Pender, 7.20, C.E., 15; Summerfield, C.E., 5; Wayne, 9.72, C.E., 5; Wakefield, 25; Winnebago, 2.50, C.E., 4.50, 84.73

OTTAWA.—Brookfield, 3.75; Grand Ridge, C.E., 16.04; Mendota, 17.80, Primary, C.E., 4; Morris, 45; Oswego, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 3; Ottawa, 2, Primary, C.E., 1; Paw Paw, 4.60; Sandwich, 54, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 2; Streator, 19.60, C.E., 12; Troy Grove, 6; Waltham, C.E., 4; Primary C.E., 5, 209.79

OMAHA.—Bellevue, C.E., 20, Jr. C.E., 4; Blair, 80 cts.; Columbus, 6.85; Fremont, 5; Omaha, 1st, 40 cts.; Castellar St. Ch., Jr. C.E., 78 cts.; Westm'r Ch., 47.30; Bedford Pl. Ch., C.E., 1; Osceola, 3.86; North Bend, 2; Tekamah, Inter. C.E., 90 cts.; Wahoo, C.E., 3, 95.85

PEMBINA.—Arvilla, 8; Miss Annie McClellan Bowesmont, 2; Grand Forks, 25; Park River, 1.50, Jr. C.E., 8; Ramsay's Grove, C.E., 3; St. Thomas, 2.39, 49.89

PETOSKEY.—Alanson, C.E., 5; Clam Lake, 2.81; Harbor Springs, 6.75, C.E., 5; Petoskey, 11.84, 31.40

PUEBLO.—Alamosa, C.E., 5; Colorado Springs, 2d, 3.50; Pueblo, Mesa Ch., 8.65, Jr. Bd., 5; Westm'r Ch., 3, Jr. C.E., 2; Del Norte, 3.50; Durango, 10, C.E., 5; Goldfield, 2.25, 47.90

RED RIVER.—Angus, 2; Crookston, 4.10, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Moorhead, 3; Warren, 1.35; Hermau, C.E., 2; Tabor, Bohemian, C.E., 2, 15.95

ROCK RIVER.—Albany, C.E., 5; Aledo, 63.65; Alexis, 7.25; Ashton, 5; Dixon, 9, Candle Lighters, 30; Newton Ch., 16.55, Earnest Workers, 4.35, Mission Soldiers, 2.50; Fulton, 15; Garden Plain, 10.20; Hamlet and Perryton, Jr. C.E., 2; Joy, Peniel Ch., 11.10; Keithsburg, Jr. C.E., 1.67; Milan, 5.50; Millersburg, 3.01; Morrison, 93.22, Y.L.S., 13, Jr. C.E., 18.45; Princeton, 22.97; Rock Island, Central Ch., 27.10, King's Messengers, 10; Broadway Ch., 89.11, Jr's., 2, Ruth's Bd., 31.25, Busy Bees, 5, South Pk. Bd., 10, Jr. Ass'n, 8, Sr. Ass'n, 9.75; Seaton, Centre Ch., 8.30; Sterling, 90; Viola, 1.15; Woodhull, 10.60; Edgington, C.E., 15, 656.68

SAGINAW.—Alma, College C.A., 13; Bay City, 3.06, S.S., 6.28, C.E., 10.58; Mem'l Ch., 9.80; Ithaca, 1.96; Saginaw, Washington Ave. Ch., 4.12, Bd., 1.76, Inter. C.E., 1.47, Jr. C.E., 98 cts.; Saginaw W., Grace Ch., 7.84; Immanuel Ch., 3.92; 1st, 26; Contingent balance, 14.44; Pbyl. Off., 16.02, 121.23

ST. CLOUD.—St. Cloud, 50.63

ST. PAUL.—Faribault, 2; Goodhue, 5; Hamline, Knox Ch., 8.07, C.E., 3.40; Hastings, 12.50, C.E., 1.50, Busy Bees, 25 cts.; Red Wing, 27.54, C.E., 25.30; Rush City, 2.50; St. Paul, Bethlehem Ch., 1; Central Ch., 3.85, C.E., 30; Dayton Av. Ch., 21.36, Children, 50 cts., C.E., 24.25, Jr. C.E., 4; 1st, 21, C.E., 6.65; Goodrich Ave., 18.27, C.E., 10; 8th, 5.90, Y.W.S., 5; House of Hope, 23.65, Adult B. Cl., 27.26, C.E., 10; Macalester, 9.90, Golden Rule Bd., 9; Merriam Pk., Van Cleve Soc., 18.60, C.E., 1.50, Wayside Gleaners, 2.30; Warrendale, 50 cts., C.E., 2.50; Westm'r Ch., 17.02; St. Paul Pk., 8.41; Arlington Hills, C.E., 2; Hope Chapel, Leverett League, 25.67 (less 48 cts. credited in May), 397.67

SCHUYLER.—Augusta, 19.12; Bushnell, 30.10; Camp Point, 5.15; Carthage, 2; Clayton, 4; Elderville, Wythe Ch., 22.38; Elvaston, 4.50, C.E., 10; Fountain Green, 9, C.E., 5; Good Hope, 23; Hamilton, Bethel Ch., 6.56; Kirkwood, 48.70, C.E., 25, Jr. C.E., 7; Macomb, 24.70, Jr. C.E., 2; Camp Creek Ch., 15.15; Monmouth, 32.85, Jr. C.E., 4; Mt. Sterling, 8.80; Niota, Appanoose Ch., 14; Perry, 29.05, C.E., 5; Prairie City, 10.62, C.E., 12; Quincy, 16.50; Ellington Ch., 7.10; Rushville, 32.75, C.E., 7, Jr. C.E., 8.25; Warsaw, 19; Bardolph, C.E., 5; Augusta, C.E., 12.50, Jr. C.E., 5; Camp Point, C.E., 37.30, 530.08

SIOUX CITY.—Alta, 15.72, C.E., 2; Battle Creek, C.E., 3; Cherokee, 22.50, C.E., 2.12, Jr. C.E., 3; Charter Oak, C.E., 3.50; Cleghorn, 1.50; Denison, 3.60; Hawarden, 2; Ida Grove, 7.50, C.E., 5; Inwood, 10, C.E., 2.50; Jackson Tp., 7.75; Le Mars, 5.72, C.E., 10.52; Manilla, C. E., 1.50; Odebolt, 5; O'Leary, Union Tp. Ch., 8, C.E., 4.55; Paulina, 2.50; Sac City, 6.95, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 4.25; Sanborn, 2.28; Sioux City, 1st, 30, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 2.50; 2d, 11.05, C.E., 3.25; 3d, 5.46, Jr. C.E., 1.17; Storm Lake, 16, C.E., 5.50, Jr C.E., 1.50; Sulphur Springs, 2.60; Wall Lake, 13, C.E., 4.50; Mt. Pleasant, C.E., 3; Vail, 5.75, 252.49

SOUTHERN DAKOTA.—Eagle, C.E., 5.00

SPRINGFIELD.—Athens, 62.35, C.E., 5; Bates, 32.58; Buffalo Hart, 11.19, C.E., 2; Chatham, 3.15, Little Light Bearers, 1; Decatur, 111, C.E., 15; Brier Soc., 10, College St. Chapel, Westm'r Soc., 5; Pearl Seekers, 7.50; Divernon, 24.75, C.E., 6.25; Farmingdale, 8.75; Greenview, 9.50; Jacksonville, State St. Ch., 73.50, Y.L.S., 11, C.E., 7.85; Westm'r Ch., 165.14, C.E., 36.33; United Portuguese, 21.65; 2d Portuguese, C.E., 13.10; Lincoln, 75.65, C.E., 1, Do Your Best Bd., 2; Macon, 23; Maroa, 14.20, C.E., 6; Mason City, 21.30, C.E., 5.60; Orleans, Pisgah Ch., 11.65; Petersburg, 20.02, C.E., 6.12; Springfield, 1st, 120.20, E.J. Brown Soc., 168.25, Busy Bees, 40; C.E., 11; Brainerd Chapel, 33.65; 2d, 118.50, C.E., 30; Portuguese Y.L.S., 2; 3d, 21, C.E., 10, Ella Snyder Bd., 2; Sweetwater, 2.96, Irish Grove Ch., 3.31; Virginia, 16, C.E., 1; Winchester, 2.70, C.E., 1.85; Williamsville, 7.30; Woodson, Unity Ch., 3; Pbyl. Off., 20, 1,444.85

UTAH.—Salt Lake City, Westm'r C.E., 5.00

VINCENNES.—Evansville, 1st Ave. Ch., 85 cts.; Grace Ch., 23.77, C.E., 10.10, Jr. C.E., 1; Parke Mem'l Ch., 3.42; Walnut St. Ch., 10, Jr. C.E., 15; Oakland City, 9.70; Petersburg, 10.51, C.E., 1.40; Princeton, 43.70, C.E., 9.25, Jr. C.E., 50 cts.; Rockport, 2.35; Sullivan, 105.32; Mr. G. R. Dutton, 75; Terre Haute, Central Ch., 37.50; Washington Ave. Ch., 17.25; Vincennes, 55, C.E., 9.05, Willing Workers, 10.51; Indiana Ch., Solid Workers, 14; Upper Indiana Ch., 9.65; Washington, 37.20, C.E., 10; Worthington, 4.50, Jr. C.E., 3; Mt. Vernon, C.E., 3.30, Jr. C.E., 1.70, 534.53

WATERLOO—Cedar Falls, 14.10; Conrad Grove, 3.39; Clarksville, C.E., 3.50; Dows, 4.50; Greene, 2.50, C.E., 2.05; Grundy Center, C. E., 10; Marshalltown, 22; State Center, 20; Traer, Tranquility Ch., Lower Lights, 5.50, C.E., 5.10; Waterloo, 33.70; C.E., 12.50; La Porte, C.E., 5, 143.84

WHITEWATER.—Aurora, C.E., 3.04; Bath, Harmony Ch., 2; Forest Hill, Union Ch., 1.25; Greensburg, 4; Lewisville, C.E., 3.93; Richmond, 5; Shelbyville, 12; Liberty, Jr. C.E., 50 cts., 31.72

WINNEBAGO.—Appleton, Mem'l Ch., 35; Y.L.S., 10; Crandon, 3.05; Green Bay, C.E., 15.50; Marinette, 19.75, C.E., 6.25; Marshfield, 6.25, Bd., 1, C.E., 1.54; Neenah, 128.40, Jr. C.E., 5, Inter. C.E., 5; Oconto, 12.73, C.E., 22; Oshkosh, 14.50; Rural, C.E., 2.10; Stevens Point, 5, C.E., 5; Westfield, 9; Weyauwega, C.E., 31, 310.07

WINONA.—Albert Lea, C.E., 40; Alden, 1.50; Austin, 15, C.E., 5; Blooming Prairie, 5, 66.50

MISCELLANEOUS.—Miss Laura T. Haskell, 2; Trelona, Wyo., Dr. E. A. Croskery and Mrs. J. Jackson, 6; Carmi, Ill., Edwin E. Crebs, 5; Hammond, Ind., 2; Springfield, Ill., Portuguese Y.L.S., 30; Anon., 12.50; Offering at Annual Meeting, 80.66; A Friend, 125; Fossil Creek, Col., C.E., 4; La Salle, Col., C.E., 24.94; W. Union, Ia., Bethel Ch., C.E., 3.50; Grand Junction, Ia., C.E., 3; Benton Harbor, Mich., Jr. C.

E., 2; Cassopolis, Mich., C.E., 2; White Pigeon, Mich., C.E., 1; Cozad, Neb., Jr. C.E., 3; Burr Oak Ch., Neb., C.E., 2; Litchfield, Neb., 1.25; Brooklyn, Mich., C.E., 2.62; Concord, Mich., Jr. C.E., 2; Delhi, Minn., Jr.C.E., 3; Luverne, Minn., C.E. and Jr.C.E., 12; Willmar, Minn., C.E., 1; Belle Plain, Minn., C.E., 3; Athens, Ill., C.E., 3; Buchanan, Mich., 2, 338.47

Total for month, $25,790.17
Total since April 20, 1898, 75,480.33

RECEIPTS TO MAY 20, 1899.

BOISE.—Presbyterial Offering, 4.00
CEDAR RAPIDS.—Presbyterian Ladies of Cedar Rapids, 109.53; Coe College Christian Association, 50, 159.53
CENTRAL DAKOTA.—Brookings, 8.75; Huron, 1.80, C.E., 5; Onida, 1.25, 16.80
CHICAGO.—Avondale, Annie Montgomery Soc., 5.75; Brookline Park, C.E., 10; Chicago, Anon., 9; 2d, 61; 4th, 18.98; 6th, 56; 9th, Inter. C.E., 3; Ch. of the Covenant, C.E., 35; Englewood, 1st, C.E., 18; Hyde Park, 42; South Side Tabernacle Ch., 2.60; Evanston, 1st, 6; Joliet, 1st, 20; Lake Forest, Y.P.S., 32, 319.33
DENVER.—Denver, Central Ch., Mrs. Blaine and Mrs. Hobbs, 10.00
DUBUQUE.—Independence, 75.00
FARGO.—Casselton, 3.40; Fargo, 1.25; Lisbon, 1.35; Sanborn, 1.15, 7.15
FREEPORT.—Freeport, 1st, 25; Galena, 1st, C.E., 9.50, 34.50
INDIANAPOLIS.—Bloomington, 2.35; Columbus, 2.65; Greenwood, 1.60; Hopewell, 3.75; Indianapolis, 2d, Y.W.S., 5; Memorial Ch., Mrs. Dungan, 1; 7th, Annabette Wishard Soc., 1; Tabernacle Ch., Mary Fulton Soc., 2.30, 19.65
IOWA CITY.—Washington, Jr. C.E., 5.00
MINNEAPOLIS.—Minneapolis, Andrew Ch., 12.76
PEMBINA.—Bathgate, 15; Crystal, C.E., 10; Milton, C.E., 8.70, 33.70
ST. PAUL.—Children of Presbytery, Raymond Staples Mem'l, 26.55; Hastings, 1; St. Paul, House of Hope Ch., 12.50; Central Ch., 13.50; Westm'r Ch., 2; St. Paul Park, Jr. C.E., 3, 58.55
SCHUYLER.—Clayton, 1; Hersman, C.E., 12; Monmouth, C.E., 10; Mt. Sterling, C.E., 16; Niota, Appanoose Ch., C.E., 5; Quincy, C.E., 12.50, 56.50
UTAH.—Benjamin, 2.30; Ephraim, 1.50; Hyrum, Sewing Soc., 1; Mt. Pleasant, 1.75; Nephi, Mynders Soc., 1.75; Payson, 1.55, C.E., 1.25; Salt Lake City, 1st, 3.15; Smithfield, 2; Springville, 3.50, 19.75
VINCENNES.—Evansville, Grace Ch., 85 cts.; Indiana Ch., Solid Workers, 3; Rockport, 2.25; Terre Haute, Central Ch., 5.70; Washington Ave. Ch., 2.75, 14.55

Total for month, $859.97

MRS. C. B. FARWELL, *Treas.*,
Room 48, McCormick Block.

CHICAGO, May 20, 1899.

Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church for April, 1899.

* Indicates summer offering for Medical Missions.

BINGHAMTON.—Afton, 1.40; Binghamton, Broad Ave., C.E., 5.50; 1st, C.E., 10; Nichols, C.E., 10, $26.90
BUFFALO.—Akron, 1.13; Buffalo, Bethany, Primary S.S., 5; East, S.S., 15 cts.; Walden Ave., 6; Fredonia, 16; Orchard Park, 3, 31.28
CHEMUNG.—Horseheads, 40; Watkins, 15, *5, C.E., 15; Weston, 2.27, 77.27
HUDSON.—Nyack, C.E., 5; Roscoe, 4.65, Mizpah Circle, 1, Jr. C.E., 50 cts., S.S., 3.27, 14.42
LYONS.—Williamson, 21.00
NEW YORK.—New York, Brick, 584.72; Calvary, 3.50; Central, 250, Jr. C.E., 10; Fifth Ave., 90, Y.W.S., 421; 4th, 100; 4th Ave., Y.L.Bd., 4; Harlem, 25; Madison Sq., 120, *special*, 23, Mrs. J. C. Brown 100; Mt. Washington, 25; North, 50; Park, 13, Individuals, 92.75, Jr. C.E., 3.25, S.S., 26; Westm'r, C.E., 75; Miss Isabella Goodwillie, 5, 2,021.22
OTSEGO.—Springfield, C.E., 5; Unadilla, 3, C.E., 4.33, 12.33
STEUBEN.—Canisteo, 25; Hornellsville, 30, 55.00
SYRACUSE.—Mexico, C.E., 5.50
TRANSYLVANIA, KY.—Danville, 2d, Lucas Bd., 10; Mt. Vernon, 1.25, 11.25
UTICA.—Ilion, Willing Workers, 3.34; Utica, Bethany, C.E., 20.10; Verona, S.S., Miss. Soc., 3, 26.44
WESTCHESTER.—Croton Falls, 2.50; New Rochelle, 1st, C.E., 20, 22.50
MISCELLANEOUS.—Coll. at Annual Meeting, 185.02; Coll. at Prayer-meeting, 12.82; Hamadan, Persia, W.M.S., 7, Faith Hubbard Bd., 5, Boys' Jr. C.E., 2; Sheverine, Persia, S.S., 2; In Memory of my Mother, 10; N. Y. C., Miss C. Delano, 10; Miss L. A. Wells, 5. 238.84
LEGACIES.—Estate of Emilie A. Cullen, 326.50; Miss M. A. West, 3.75, 330.25

Total, $2,894.20

RECEIPTS FOR MAY, 1899.

BINGHAMTON.—Conklin, C.E., 5; Nineveh, C.E., 5.26; Texas Valley, C.E., 4; Waverly, 26.50. 40.76
BOSTON, MASS.—Newport, R. I., C.E., 20.00
BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Ainslie St., 11.66; Bethany, C.E., 10; Central, 50; City Park Branch, 7.71; Classon Ave., 23.26, *special*, 5, C.E., 15; Duryea, C.E., 5.74; 1st, 264; Grace, King's Daughters, 15; Greene Ave., 8.17; Lafayette Ave., Daughters of the Temple, 20; Mem'l, 41.94; Ross St., 43.13, C.E., 30, Miss Storm's Cl., 7.38; 2d, 2.47, Oriental Guild, 50; Westm'r, Y. L. Guild, 6; Stapleton, S. I., 1st, 21; West New Brighton, S. I., Calvary, 7, 644.46
BUFFALO.—Orchard Park, C.E., 2; Sherman, C.E., 10, 12.00
CAYUGA.—Five Corners, C.E., 2.50; Ithaca, 13.05, 15.55
GENESEE.—East Pembroke, C.E., 2; Wyoming, C.E., 3, 5.00
GENEVA.—Ovid, C.E., 41.00
HUDSON.—Otisville, C.E., 5.00
LONG ISLAND.—Shelter Island, C.E., 20.00
LYONS.—Wolcott, C.E., 10.00
NASSAU.—Astoria, C.E., 1.06, Jr. C.E., 6; Far Rockaway, C.E., 10, 17.06
NEW YORK.—Montreal, Can., 75; New York, Adams Mem'l, C.E., 10; Brick, 20; Ch. of the Covenant, Willing Workers, 10; Ch. of the Puritans, Puritan Guild, 10; Faith, C.E., 15.66, Jr. C.E., 3; First, 35; Fourteenth St., 27; Harlem, Helping Hands, 10, C.E., 40; Lenox, C.E., 7.50; North, C.E., 13.15, Ladies' Cl., 30; Olivet Chapel, 10; Phillips, Y.L.S., 10; Rutgers Riverside, King's Messengers, 50; Thirteenth St., C.E., 28.71; Throgg's Neck, C.E., 5; University Place, 100, Bethlehem Chapel, 50, C.E., 20; West, Y.W.S., 46.28; West End, C.E., 16; West Farms, C.E., 6; West 51st St., C.E., 2.50; Miss Ingersoll, 13.75, 664.55
NIAGARA.—Mapleton, C.E., 2.05
NORTH RIVER.—Highland Falls, C.E., 4; Poughkeepsie, C.E., 8, 12.00
ROCHESTER.—Caledonia, C.E., 4.00
ST. LAWRENCE.—Cape Vincent, C.E., 3.71
SYRACUSE.—Constantia, C.E., 3.50; Marcellus, 4.50; Mexico, 10.50, C.E., 5.50; Syracuse, 1st, Jr. C.E., 5; 1st Ward, C.E., 5; 4th, 4; Mem'l, C.E., 1.28; Park, Y.L.S., 37.50, C.E., 12.50, 89.28
TRANSYLVANIA, KY.—Bradleyville, C.E., 4.50; Danville, 2d, 50, 54.50
UTICA.—Little Falls, Jr. C.E., 3.50; Oneida Castle, C.E., 4.62; Westernville, C.E., 10, 18.12
WESTCHESTER.—Brewster, Southeast Center, S.S., 7; Bridgeport, Ct., Y.P.S., 20, C.E., 20; Darien, Ct., C.E., 6.71; Irvington, Hope, C.E., 5; Irvington-on-Hudson, C.E., 15; Katonah, C.E., 10; Mt. Vernon, 57.27, C.E., 50; New Rochelle, 1st, 10; 2d, 4; Peekskill, 1st, Jr.C.E., 3; Stamford, Ct., Chinese S.S., 18; Yonkers, Immanuel, 10, 235.98
MISCELLANEOUS.—A Friend, 5; Coll. at Prayer-meeting, 13.38; East Bloomfield, N. Y., 8.30; Thank Offering, 5; Valdese, N. C., Waldensian School, 2.04; Yale Missionary Bd., 25, 58.72

Total, $1,973.74
Total since April 1st, 4,867.94

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Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for the Month ending May 24, 1899.

AUSTIN.—El Paso, 5; Taylor, 10, $15.00
EMPORIA.—Peotone, C.E., 5.00
KANSAS CITY.—Sedalia, Broadway, C.E., 5; Central, C.E., 10, 15.00
LARNED.—Kingman, C.E., 2; Parks, C.E., 1, 3.00
OKLAHOMA.—Blackwell, 10.00
PALMYRA.—Green City, 6.00
PLATTE.—Chillicothe, C.E., 2.50, Jr.C.E., 2.50, 5.00
RIO GRANDE.—Albuquerque, C.E., 23.00
SANTA FE.—Menual, C.E., 10; Raton, 1st, C.E., 6; Las Vegas, 10, 26.00
TOPEKA.—Gardner, C.E., 25.00
TRINITY.—Mary Allen Sem., C.E., 6.41
MISCELLANEOUS.—Coll. at Ann. Meeting, 42.21; Refunded, 2.45; Dr. McArthur's Outfit, Palmyra Pres., 6.21; Life Member of Board, 10; Kirkwood C.E., 73 cts.; St. Louis, Wash. and Comp., 10, 1st German, 10, Rev. J. H. Gauss, 5, Lafayette Park, 15, 101.60

Total for month, 241.01
Total to date, 241.01

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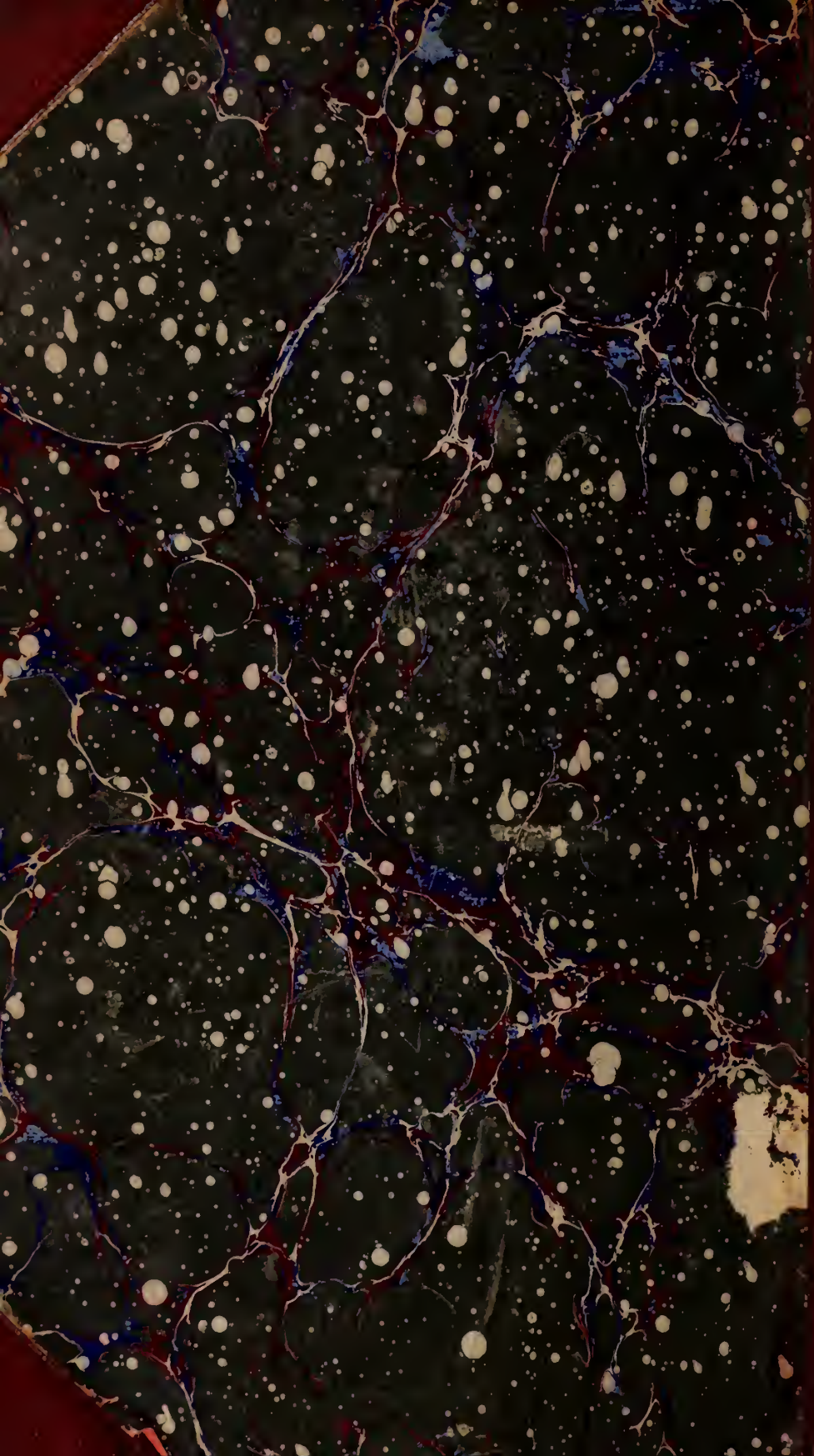
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